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Spadolini government steps down

ROME, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — Prime Minister Giovanni Spadolini's five-party coalition government stepped down Saturday after the powerful Socialist Party withdrew its seven ministers from the 13-month-old administration.

The government's resignation was announced at the end of a one-hour cabinet meeting, chaired by Spadolini who made history last year as Italy's first non-Christian Democratic prime minister since 1945. Government officials said the prime minister handed over his resignation documents to President Sandro Pertini.

Pertini, who broke off his holiday in the north Italian Alps Saturday, has the constitutional role of appointing a new prime minister-designate after consulting previous presidents and all party leaders. Looking angry, Pertini told reporters on his return to Rome he would try everything in his power to prevent the warring politicians from pushing Italy toward premature elections, now widely tipped for the autumn.

Following Italian political tradition, Pertini will ask Spadolini to continue in a caretaker capacity until Italy's 42nd post-war government has been set up. The prime minister's Republican Party was the smallest member in the coalition government, having polled only 3.4 percent in snap elections three years ago.

The Socialist pull-out from the 28-strong cabinet, which also included ministers from the Christian Democratic, Social Democratic, and Liberal parties, was in protest against the defeat in parliament of a cabinet decree abolishing tax privileges for oil companies.

But political observers agreed it was a pre-text for the ambitious and restless Socialists, locked in big power struggle with the Christian Democrats, to bring down the government and trigger premature elections.

The Socialists, who polled 10 percent in 1979, have been dissatisfied with their junior role in the government and believe that snap elections would strengthen their political base.

Spadolini said in a statement that he could no longer rule effectively following the resignation of the Socialists. He called the rejection of the tax bill by the Chamber of Deputies after it had been approved by the cabinet and the Senate a vote of no-confidence in his 14-month-old government.

The Christian Democrats have consistently opposed forming a government with the Communist Party, Italy's second largest party.

The Socialists blamed dissident Christian Democrats who supported the tax measure publicly but who, according to the Socialists, voted against it in the secret ballot. The Socialists claim the dissidents were acting on behalf of the oil companies, which opposed the proposed law.

Armenian bid foiled at Ankara Airport

ANKARA, Aug. 7 (R) — An attack on Ankara Airport by Armenian guerrillas Saturday ended when a policeman among 15 persons held hostage pulled a gun and killed one of the captors, reporters at the scene said.

A second Armenian was shot and captured earlier during a fierce gun battle with security forces, the semi-official Anatolian News Agency said.

State radio later reported that the guerrilla captured by the security forces had died. The radio said six persons died in the incident — the two guerrillas, three policemen and one civilian who was not immediately identified.

Hospital sources said at least 50 persons had been wounded. The Beirut-based Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia (ASALA) claimed responsibility for the attack on the airport. ASALA is one of a number of Armenian nationalist groups which have killed more than 20 Turks living abroad in the past decade.

The attack began at about 4 p.m. (1300 GMT) when the guerrillas threw a number of bombs, strafed the terminal building with sub-machinegun fire. They trapped the hostages, including two Americans, a West German and a French citizen, in one of the terminal's restaurants, the Anatolian News Agency said.

A customs official wounded in the fighting told reporters at an Ankara hospital it appeared the two guerrillas came off a Lufthansa flight which arrived from West Germany less than 30 minutes before the attack was launched.

The customs official said the international lounge at the airport was crowded with passengers when it was shaken by a huge explosion. "There was a big commotion," he said. "A number of people were firing. The passengers broke windows and ran toward the tarmac. It was then that I was shot."

Armenian nationalists have previously carried out bomb attacks at Ankara and Istanbul international airports but this was their first assault on a Turkish airport since the military coup in September 1980.

Palestinian pullout to start next week

BEIRUT, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — Lebanese Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan said Saturday he was "cautiously optimistic" that the 15-day evacuation of the Palestine Liberation Organization from West Beirut would begin next week.

PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat was quoted by the "Voice of Arab Lebanon" radio station as saying the PLO has agreed to begin the evacuation early next week and has already conveyed this decision to Wazzan.

"I am cautiously optimistic that the operation will begin within a few days," Wazzan said in a nationally televised statement after a one-hour conference with U.S. presidential envoy Philip C. Habib.

"I have conveyed to Habib the PLO's answers to requested clarifications. I hope they are the last. He is completely satisfied with the positive responses," Wazzan said. He did not spell out the clarifications that had been sought or the responses, however.

Wazzan expressed apprehension that Israel might choose to undermine Habib's efforts, saying "we have to be cautious when we achieve progress lest this collides with an arrogant position by the invader."

Habib has agreed to provide a U.S. guarantee of safe passage through Israeli lines for seaborne commandos to Jordan's port of Aqaba and Egypt's port of Alexandria and for commandos going overland by bus convoys to Syria, PLO officials said.

Commandos will be allowed to take their personal weapons with them and the PLO has agreed to turn over its heavy arms to the Lebanese army.

The PLO has proposed the reopening of Beirut's international airport which Israeli forces seized last Sunday, to airlift commandos unwilling to go to Syria and to speed up the evacuation operation. As-Safir reported. It did not report Habib's response.

The United States, France, Italy and Greece have agreed in principle to contribute troops to the international force which, Lebanon's state radio said Saturday, will

Israel used new bomb

MOSCOW, Aug. 7 (AP) — The Soviet news agency Tass charged Saturday that the Israeli Air Force used a new American-made weapon, the Vacuum Bomb, to destroy a seven-story residential building in West Beirut Friday.

The report did not specify how the bomb differed from other bombs, when Washington has supplied it to Tel Aviv or in what quantities.

The building mentioned in the report said by correspondents in West Beirut to have been reduced to a pile of smoking rubble, with no wall left standing. It had been inhabited by refugees. A PLO communiqué said 250 persons were killed or wounded in the air strike.

Tass also said the U.S. veto of Moscow's Security Council resolution for a worldwide arms embargo to punish Israel proved America was an "accomplice of Tel Aviv's brazen aggression in Lebanon."

Tass said the Soviet resolution was "suggested" to "express deep indignation over the aggressor's refusal to comply with earlier adopted decisions of the council envisaging the ceasefire, withdrawal of occupation forces and placing of United Nations observers in the area of Beirut."

The United States was alone in vetoing the resolution, Britain, Togo and Zaïre abstained. Tass responded to the U.S. action with near-record speed and said the American veto proved that Washington is prepared to continue supporting the aggressor to the end till the complete destruction of the Lebanese capital. The publicized official statements of the White House about its displeasure with Israel's actions mean absolutely nothing.

OAU summit hopes fade

TRIPOLI, Aug. 7 (R) — An Organization of African Unity (OAU) summit meeting Saturday failed to materialize despite an appeal by mostly radical leaders present here to their moderate colleagues boycotting the conference to come to Tripoli.

The appeal, by some 20 presidents and prime ministers, was sent earlier Saturday to those boycotting the Tripoli summit and asked them "to join us in Tripoli so that African wisdom may prevail in order to preserve our organization and to prevent our enemies from dividing us."

The boycott, by a coalition of pro-Moroccan and anti-Libyan states, followed last February's controversial admission to the OAU of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic (SADR) proclaimed by the Polisario Front seeking independence of Western Sahara from Morocco. It meant the conference failed to reach the required two-thirds attendance quorum of 34 states for it to formally open.

Conference sources did not expect new delegations to come to Tripoli Saturday and said the summit would effectively be postponed for at least three months pending further consultations between moderates and radicals.

They added that, with the continued absence of a legal quorum, delegations were now about to leave the Libyan capital. The Tripoli appeal was issued after radical heads of state and government Friday night held their first informal plenary session since they arrived in Tripoli to attend OAU's 19th summit which was due to open last Thursday.

It said that they strongly believed it was "in the vital interest of our organization that all heads of state and government or their representatives be present in Tripoli," particularly because of "the urgent need to have a regularly-elected bureau and to elect the secretary general...in order to enable the organization to function under effective and normal conditions."

Nigeria and Kenya, whose president is OAU's current chairman, were present in Tripoli but did not take part in Friday night's meeting which Polisario chief Muhammad Abdullaziz attended.

Turkey, Iran view Gulf war

TEHRAN, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — The Iran-Iraq war and bilateral relations were at the center of talks held Friday and Saturday by the Turkish Prime Minister Bulent Ulusu, and Iranian leaders, the Tehran Radio reported.

Shortly after his arrival here Friday Ulusu met with the Iranian President Ali Khamenei and delivered message from the Turkish head of state, Gen. Kenan Evren. Before his return to Ankara Saturday Ulusu held further talks with his counterpart, Mir Hossein Mussavi.

Turkish sources here said both bilateral relations and the war were discussed but there was no question of a "Turkish mediation" in the conflict as had been mentioned by certain sources in Ankara.

Mussavi had said Thursday that any peace initiatives which took into account Iran's demands "would be favorably received." Ulusu was accompanied by Turkish Foreign Minister Ihter Turkmen.

Meanwhile, Iran claimed Saturday its forces attacked two Iraqi outposts near the Iranian border town of Qasr-e-Shirin and "liberated" two strategic hills held by the Iraqis inside Iran killing 200 soldiers.

Tehran radio quoted Ayatollah Khomeini as calling for the "voluntary resignation" of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. "Let us presume he is victorious. He should retire himself victoriously in the same way he withdrew (from Iran) victoriously," Khomeini was quoted as saying.

Saddam announced last June he was pulling his troops out of occupied Iranian territory after declaring a unilateral ceasefire. Despite an Iraqi claim to have withdrawn from Iranian territory, Iranian leaders claimed Iraq still maintained strategic positions in western Iran.

Iranian troops launched a series of suicide assaults against Iraqi occupiers earlier this

Kingdom agrees to Arab summit

JEDDAH, Aug. 7 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia has agreed to the holding of an Arab summit conference and supports the call made by Moroccan King Hassan II for holding the summit and the Arab foreign ministers' conference in Morocco, Minister of Information Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani declared Saturday.

"The Kingdom's policy is based on supporting any moves aimed at uniting Arab ranks," the minister said. Dr. Yamani added that Saudi Arabia has a firm belief in the joint Arab action for the benefit of the Arab nation.

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Pakistani exporters visit

Carpet purchases here create a growth market

By Suresh Shah
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Aug. 7 — Saudi Arabia tops the list of growing markets for Pakistan's hand-knotted carpets, oriental designs have a great future here due to growing demand



K. Z. Keen

resulting from the influx of money and a higher standard of living, according to K.Z. Keen, United Nations Development Program (UNDP) International Trade Center marketing advisor.

He told Arab News Pakistan exports of hand-knotted carpets to the Kingdom were valued at \$1.86 million in 1979, moved up to \$2.66 million in 1980 and \$3.32 million last year.

Pakistan Embassy Commercial Secretary Jalees Siddiqi said these figures represent exports of carpets through regular trade channels while a substantial quantity of the material arrives through non-commercial channels such as personal luggage of visitors.

"These non-commercial channels are a deterrent to the further rise in commercial exports and we are considering certain steps to discourage non-commercial exports," he added.

Keen is on a 10-day exploratory visit of the Kingdom along with Pakistan's Export Promotion Bureau Assistant Director Azam Mohammed. Both of them are in the last leg of their tour of various countries to study market conditions and the kind of products needed to suit each market.

During the survey known as a market development exercise, carried out by International Trade Center of Pakistan and funded by the United Nations Development Program, the team has already visited Switzerland, Belgium, Holland, West Germany and the United Kingdom. It will survey the Kuwait market on its way back to Pakistan.

In Jeddah, members met with leading oriental carpet dealers, importers and chamber of commerce representatives, and visited the National Carpet Factory in the Industrial city. They discussed the marketing strategies that should be followed to promote hand-knotted carpets in the fast developing market. In Riyadh, they will have similar meetings and discussion with officials in the Ministry of Commerce and Saudi Consulting House.

Keen said total exports of carpets from Pakistan declined from \$223 million in 1979-80 to \$125 million in 1980-81, largely due to the recessionary trend in major markets. The main buyers are West Germany, the United States, the United Kingdom, France and Switzerland, while Saudi Arabia is a fast growing market.

The Pakistan government is keen to see that all possible measures will be taken to step up carpet exports. The team will submit the report about the needs of each market, color preference, design, prospects of growth and the market strategy that should be adopted, he added.

Azam said "the government is giving importance to export and improving the quality of the product." The Export Promotion Bureau makes its efforts in that direction and the ITC helps in developing new techniques for the purpose.



CARPETS FROM PAKISTAN: A trade team from the Pakistan Export Promotion Bureau displayed these unique hand-knotted carpets in Jeddah

Pakistan authorities have finalized the arrangement for opening a permanent trade center in the city, which is expected to start functioning by December. As a further promotional measure, they are considering an exhibition of fine carpets in all major cities of Saudi Arabia, a decision on this is likely early next year.

"We have the finest quality of wool and the skill to make best use of it, so what is needed is the product development to suit different markets and consumer taste," said Keen. He said the weavers can make silk carpets and the famous "Mori-Bukhara" — single knotted carpets can be used for furniture, table tops and wall hangings. At the same time "Sutri", the double-knotted Persian design carpet, has a bright future, as the price difference between the Iranian and these carpets is very high, so Pakistan carpets are the best alternative, he said.

The country has the capacity and the craftsmanship to make all types of carpets. Pakistan's annual production averages around 2.25 million square meters and nearly 70 percent comes from Punjab alone. Keen claimed that they have developed a unique carpet washing technique to bring a good shine which even Iran has not been able to do.

BRIEFS

TAIF, (SPA) — King Fahd Saturday received a cable of thanks from President Fritz Honegger of Switzerland in reply to a congratulatory telegram sent to him by the Saudi monarch on his country's national day.

RIYADH, (SPA) — Bangladesh Chief of Staff Major-General Muhammad Nureddin Khan Saturday met with his Saudi Arabian counterpart, General Muhammad Saleh Al-Hammad.

RIYADH, Aug. 7 (SPA) — Somali Foreign Minister Dr. Abdurrahman Jama Barre, in an interview published Saturday warned of what he termed the dangerous situation in the Horn of Africa resulting from "Soviet pressure and continuous military aid" to the region.

JEDDAH, (SPA) — Jeddah's committee for the assistance of indebted prisoners has received SR563,500 in donations.

RIYADH, (SPA) — The King Faisal Welfare Foundation has received SR1.05 million in donations, the foundation announced Saturday.

MWL session concludes

All Muslims challenged by Israeli aggression

MAKKAH, Aug. 7 (SPA) — The Muslim World League's Constituent Council has formed a committee to contact leaders of Islamic countries to present the point of view of Muslim scholars in relation to the Islamic community's present situation.

Concluding a four-day emergency session called for by Palestine Liberation Chairman Yasser Arafat, the council commended the Kingdom's stand toward halting the Israeli aggression in Lebanon. MWL Assistant Secretary General Muhammad Safwat Al-Saqa, speaking at a press conference, called on the world public opinion to awake and put an end to the aggression against Lebanon.

The final session was held under the chairmanship of Sheikh Abdul Aziz ibn Baz, president of the departments of scholarly

research, guidance and call to Islam. Addressing the session, he said that the Israeli invasion of Lebanon is a challenging act of aggression against every Muslim.

Sheikh ibn Baz appealed to Islamic countries, governments and peoples, to take swift action to save their brethren in Lebanon and support the Muslim fighters in Lebanon, Afghanistan, the Philippines Ethiopia and everywhere else.

He expressed gratitude and admiration for the Kingdom's efforts in supporting the MWL and all Islamic causes. He hoped that the decisions reached by the constituent council would be effective in solving the Lebanese crisis and "save the Lebanese and Palestinian people."

Taipei provides cable data

TAIPEI, Aug. 7 — Taiwan will transfer advanced electric cable technology to Saudi Arabia, according to a recent cooperation agreement signed with China's Economic Affairs Ministry, the Chinese Electrical and Isothermic Electric Metal Cable Company.

The Chinese firm will transfer the technology to a Saudi Arabian firm along with management and technical manpower. The Saudi Arabian company will pay \$10,000 every six months for five year period to the Taiwanese firm. The latter will employ and leave at least 50 personnel in the Kingdom every year to handle the transfer, Okaz reported.

Northern, Eastern regions phone improvement mapped

DAMMAM, Aug. 7 (SPA) — Saudi Telephone has embarked on a comprehensive program to provide 200,000 lines and 500 coin telephones in all towns and villages of the Eastern and Northern regions. Work has already begun on some projects. The program will be completed in 1984.

Saudi Telephone's Eastern Province Director Abdullah Al-Abbad said Friday that work is now progressing on the installation of a 2,000-line exchange, five coin telephones and burying of underground cables in Nuairiya. The exchange will become operational by the end of this year, he said.

Other projects include supplying the town of Raqqa with 120 telephone lines which during its first phase, will serve government departments and private citizens. This will be implemented in October through the Hafel-Baten exchange installed recently with a capacity of 7,000 lines.

Abbad said another exchange will come into operation this year in Dhahran with a capacity of 10,000 telephone lines. It will serve Dhahran proper, the University of Petroleum and Minerals, Dhahran International Airport and Aramco's residential district.

Alkhorbar's telephones also will increase by 5,000 lines by the middle of next year. Contracts amounting to SR50 million were recently awarded to two national companies for an expansion of the external ground network in Eastern Province towns. The project covers all new localities and buildings not included in the telephone network laid down about 24 months ago. Another SR18 million contract has been awarded for cleaning and maintenance.

Speaking about other projects, Abbad said that it has become necessary to construct a telecommunications complex in a 1.2 million square meter area in Damman.

Saudi Telephone has recently taken delivery of the SR100 million telecommunications center in Damman.



PHONE INSTALLATION: This Saudi Telephone workman installing new lines promises to be a familiar sight in the Kingdom where an expansion program has just been announced.

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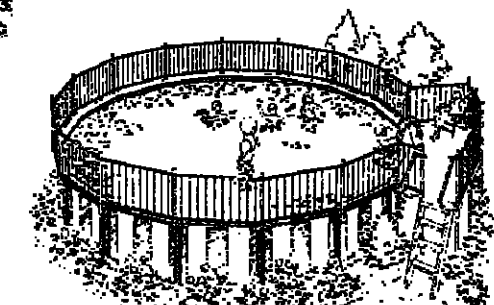
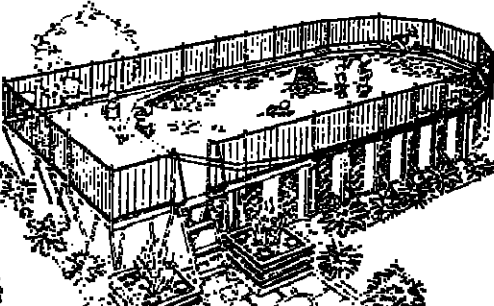
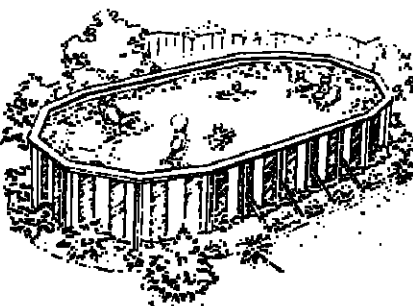
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Youth hostels emphasize cooperation, brotherhood

JEDDAH, Aug. 7 (SPA) — More than 6,670 youth have registered so far in 11 youth hostels sponsored by the Youth Welfare Presidency in Riyadh, Hall, Qassim, Dammam, Ahsa, Jeddah, Makkah, Taif, Jout, Madinah and Abha. According to a Youth Welfare spokesman the main purpose of the hostels is

to teach the youth a spirit of cooperation and brotherhood and at the same time teach them to rely upon themselves.

The number of beds available at these hostels within the Kingdom exceeds 1,115. Facilities are included with many such as stadiums, libraries, lecture halls, projection halls and entertainment facilities.

Dammam's hostel has a well-known swimming pool where contests are organized for members. The contests include all kinds of sports. The Youth Hostels Department and the Saudi Arabian Association for Youth Hostels are exerting great efforts to provide the best religious, mental and physical education to the youngsters and to encourage them to have useful hobbies.

The Dammam hostel has also been organizing excursions for its members this summer in and beyond the Eastern Province to foster friendship and love among the youth and acquaint them with their brothers in the various Saudi Arabian cities and villages. They were particularly apprised about their country's over-all development boom. Hostel officials are also planning a number of youth camps this summer, three of them were already approved for this year, including camps in Jubail, Ras Tannura and Al-Nusayriyyah.

Makkah commissions new water projects

JEDDAH, Aug. 7 (SPA) — SR800 million worth of projects are underway or to be commissioned soon for Makkah's water and sewage works, according to Western Region Water and Sewage Authority Director General Fahd Al-Sulaiman.

These projects include the SR517 million Azizia water project, the SR250 million Ruwafah water and sewage project and the SR33 million Azizia sewage network.

Sulaiman stressed that the authority has mobilized all its potential for the upcoming pilgrimage season with an eye on securing drinking water for pilgrims. The number of water trucks will be increased this year, in addition to the rise in the number of teams to participate in the next season.



SR110m CONTRACT: Mr. Fahd Al-Shammary is shown here signing for Construction Support Credit Facilities during a recent ceremony in Bahrain. Lead managers of the syndication are Arab Asian Bank e.c. (agent and mandated bank), Al Saudi Banque (Bahrain), Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank N V (Dubai) and Trans-Arabian Investment Bank. C. (Bahrain). The managing group consists of Bank of Bahrain & Kuwait, Barclays Bank International Bank, Burgan Bank S A K, National Bank of Bahrain and Wardley Middle East Ltd.

Pakistani pilgrims arrive

Ship met by embassy officials

JEDDAH, Aug. 7 — The first Pakistani pilgrim ship carrying 1,365 pilgrims arrived in Jeddah today. The pilgrims were received by Amin Jan Naim, Pakistan's Charge d'Affaires and Shaikat Ali Chaudhary, Director General, Haj.

On this occasion Amin Jan Naim addressed the pilgrims calling upon them to observe the rules laid down by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and to make every effort to promote the already existing cordial relations between the two countries through their good

behavior.

He emphasized that he and his staff would be available to them at Madinah Munawarah and Makkah Mukaramah to afford every possible assistance in the performance of pilgrimage.

Naim went around the Immigration and Customs counters along with Chaudhary to tour the facilities provided by both departments. He thanked the Saudi Arabian authorities for the facilities arranged at the port.

Youth active in nine Taif centers

TAIF, Aug. 7 (SPA) — There will be nine summer centers in the Western Province this year, in Jeddah, Makkah and Taif, Dr. Abdullah Al-Zaid, the province's director of education said. The centers went into operation as last week with a SR92 million budget for each one. They provide cultural, social, sports and artistic activities and are well equipped.

Dr. Al-Zaid said that the purpose of these centers is to help the youth spend their leisure in useful activities during the summer vacation. Programs last for 45 days.

In the meantime, more than 300 students have subscribed for the Taif center's summer excursions in Riyadh, Madinah, Jeddah,

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Relations discussed

ABU DHABI, Aug. 7 (SPA) — Relations between Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates were discussed here recently by Saudi Arabia's Ambassador Soliman Saleh Al-Fowzan and UAE heir-apparent and Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces Gen. Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed.

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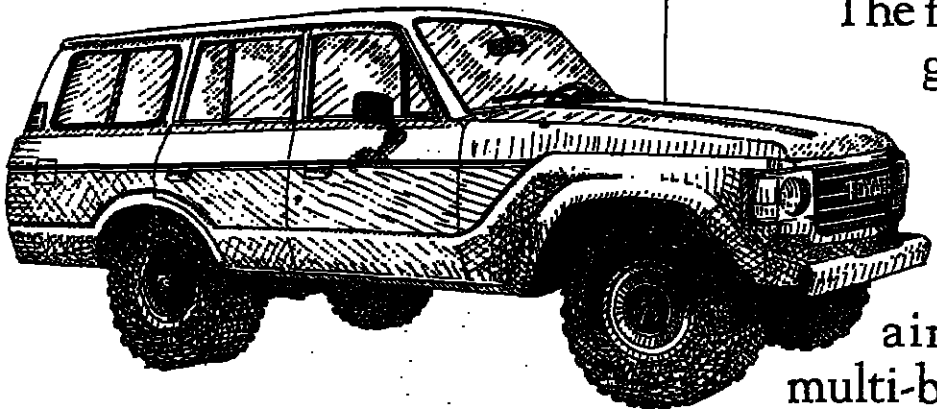
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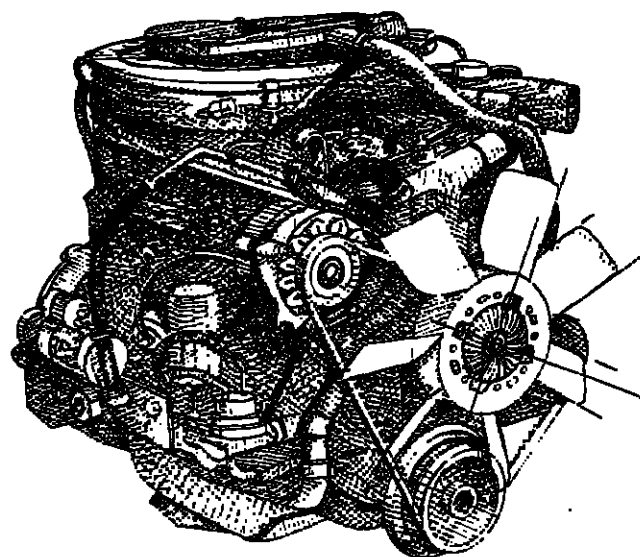
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In 'stiff reply' to Reagan

Begin says U.S. cannot dictate policy to Israel

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin has told President Ronald Reagan that the United States cannot dictate policy to Israel, a high-ranking White House official said Friday. The official, who declined to be named, said the statement was included in a "stiff reply" Begin sent to the personal message addressed to him by Reagan this week.

The Begin answer also repeated a demand for firm guarantees about the departure of Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) fighters from West Beirut before Israel would consider pulling back its troops.

President Reagan asked Israel Wednesday to re-establish and maintain a ceasefire in Beirut. But the Israeli cabinet has brushed aside calls by the Reagan administration, the United Nations and the Lebanese government, claiming that ceasefires have been repeatedly violated by the PLO.

Israeli forces have continued to rain bombs and pour cannon fire into West Beirut, where the PLO's estimated 6,000 fighters are dispersed among the population.

Some White House staffers admitted privately Friday night that they felt increasingly irritated by Israel's attitude.



WATER SHORTAGE: Lebanese women draw water from an open tap, amid the debris of West Beirut, following the brutal Israeli bombardment this week. The lack of fresh water supplies is becoming critical in Israeli-besieged West Beirut as the danger of disease increases.

Hospitals hit by shelling, blockade

W. Beirut faces medical crisis

BEIRUT, Aug. 7 (AP) — Hospitals in besieged West Beirut may no longer be able to treat patients if there is one more day of heavy shelling and bombing. A Red Cross official said Saturday.

At least nine of West Beirut's 15 hospitals and 27 medical clinics were hit in last Wednesday's 20-hour bombardment, the longest and most devastating assault since Israel invaded Lebanon two months ago in its campaign against Palestinian commandos.

Several other hospitals were damaged in earlier attacks, and at least small hospitals closed for lack of staff, water, medical supplies and fuel to run generators during the Israeli-imposed electrical blackout.

"All possibilities to properly run hospitals are coming to an end," Jean-Jacques Kurtz, spokesman for the International Red Cross Office in West Beirut, said in an interview. "The hospitals staff are victims of just terror, and on top of that, one more day of clashes, one more day of bombing and shelling as on Aug. 4 and there will not be a single bed in any hospital in West Beirut for wounded people," he said.

With municipal water supplies to West Beirut turned off for nearly two weeks, hospitals are relying on salty well water. The blockade has also prevented fuel from reaching West Beirut. "Without fuel there can be no generators, and then the doctors will have to read X-rays by candlelight," Kurtz, a Swiss added.

The American University Hospital, which was hit in Wednesday's bombardment but is still one of the most intact hospitals still functioning in West Beirut warned early in the week that it would be forced to close unless it got fuel.

The Palestine Liberation Organization, which has its own carefully guarded fuel reserves, promptly provided the high-rise complex with half a dozen tanks of fuel.

The American Hospital kept its doors open, although it faces a shortage of nurses because most of them were either Asians who have fled the fighting or Christians from East Beirut who were unable to cross the "green line" that bisects Beirut.

West Beirut's other big hospitals, the privately owned Berbir Hospital and the Islamic Association's Makassed Hospital, have sustained heavy damage. Both are located near the green line by the horse race track which has been the scene of heavy fighting in the

past week. Both are now functioning at barely 10 percent of their capacity.

"The important thing for us is that we still consider ourselves a hospital and capable of functioning, but how much more destruction we can take — endangering both patients and staff — we don't know," said Dr. Amal Shamaa, a pediatrician at Berbir.

The six-story hospital has been hit repeatedly during the air and land bombardments, and on Wednesday it lost an entire wing — 120 beds. The hospital now has only 24 patients. After Wednesday's massive bombardment, 50 others were sent to other hospitals or to their homes.

Berbir's staff of 430 is down to about 40. Out of 92 doctors, only eight have stayed at work. One operating room was destroyed, and several specialized treatment units and the pathology department were heavily damaged, said Dr. Shamaa, a 38-year-old U.S. citizen of Lebanese descent.

Honecker vows support for PLO

BERLIN, Aug. 7 (AP) — East German Communist leader Erich Honecker has sent a personal message to Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat pledging East Germany's "full solidarity" with the PLO, the state news agency ADN said Saturday.

Honecker said East Germany would "continue to give every kind of political support within the framework of our possibilities" to the PLO, ADN said.

In the past, East Germany has been one of the strongest Soviet bloc supporters of the PLO. Arafat was received on a visit last March with all the ceremony normally reserved for top bloc leaders and was given medical treatment in East Germany last year.

The invasion was a "criminal attack" and a long-planned campaign of murder and extermination by Israel and the most aggressive circles of U.S. imperialism," Honecker said.

The East German leader went on to demand the immediate withdrawal of Israeli troops from Lebanon and said that a lasting solution to the Palestinian problem would come only when the PLO could realize its right to a Palestinian state, ADN said.

BRIEFS

LONDON, (R) — Six women members of the radical Mujahideen organization were executed by firing squad last Wednesday after being found guilty of armed rebellion and opposition to Iran's clerical government, Tehran newspapers reported Saturday.

DACCA, (R) — Floods in Bangladesh have left at least 100,000 people homeless and caused extensive damage to crops, government television has reported. It said the floods were receding and railway services between the eastern Sylhet district and the rest of the country, disrupted when a bridge was washed away on Wednesday, were restored Friday.

KARACHI, (AP) — West Germany donated 70 Mercedes Benz trucks worth \$2.5 million to Pakistan on Saturday to help authorities with their relief work among Afghan refugees.

NICOSIA, (AP) — Iran's Islamic Republic News Agency, (IRNA), called on all world bodies Saturday to help trace an Iranian photographer who was allegedly kidnapped by Lebanese rightist militiamen in Lebanon last month. IRNA identified the photographer as Kazem Akhavan and said he was traveling from Damascus to Beirut with three other Iranians who were also kidnapped by the Phalangists.

U.S. interests will suffer if blitz continues -- Qaddafi

TRIPOLI, Aug. 7 (R) — Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi has accused the United States of backing Israel's invasion of Lebanon, and said U.S. interests in the Middle East would suffer if it continued.

The United States had "agreed with the (Israeli) invasion before it took place," Col. Qaddafi told reporters here Friday night. "The Arab nation must take the U.S. bear responsibility — a serious responsibility — for this."

U.S. interests in the Middle East "will be destroyed... in the future if this invasion goes ahead," he said.

In a separate statement, reported by the Libyan news agency Jana, Qaddafi urged Arab states to send 10 army divisions to Syria, backed by 500 warplanes, to fight Israel because of its "intolerable insolence and ferocity" in Lebanon.

"If the United States cooperated politically with Israel or gave it material support, the Arabs should cut off oil supplies and with-

draw their funds from U.S. banks," he said. Qaddafi said Libya was ready to supply one division and some planes, Jana reported.

In Amman, Jordanian newspapers Saturday accused the United States of playing "a double-faced role in the Lebanese crisis" and of complicity with the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

Commenting on an American veto of a Security Council plan called for by the Soviet Union, the daily *Al-Rai* said: "The U.S. administration is playing a double-faced role in the crisis... on the one hand, it expressed concern over what is happening in West Beirut, and on the other, it uses its veto to prevent the imposition of sanctions against Israel."

The other daily *Al-Dustour* said that U.S. veto Friday brought into the open what it called the U.S. collusion with the Israeli attacks against the Palestinian and Lebanese peoples.

Ethiopians 'attack' Somali town

NAIROBI, Aug. 7 (AP) — Somalia charged that Ethiopian troops attacked the border town of Galdogob but suffered heavy casualties. Mogadishu radio reported Saturday. The broadcast monitored here said many Ethiopian soldiers were killed or wounded, but gave no precise figures. Galdogob is located northwest of Galdafu, capital of Mudugh region.

Meanwhile, Ethiopian-backed Somali rebels claimed to have killed 280 Somali troops and wounded 500 others in four reg-

ions bordering Ethiopia, the insurgents' radio Kulmis said.

The broadcast, believed to originate from Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital, said insurgent forces suffered 17 dead and two injured. There was no immediate corroboration of the report on fight in Mudugh, Galdogob, Hiran and northwest regions. Past rebel battle claims often proved exaggerated.

Somalia maintains that Ethiopian Army troops, not Somali guerrillas, were behind the cross-border attacks which began in June.

Kaddoumi, Papandreou set for talks

ATHENS, Aug. 7 (AP) — Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization Political Department, arrived Friday for talks with Socialist Premier Andreas Papandreou, a government spokesman said.

The spokesman said Kaddoumi, making a 24-hour stopover on his way to Paris, was due to meet with the Greek premier on Saturday. "They will exchange views on the Lebanese crisis and the Palestinian problem," he

added.

It is the second visit to Athens by Kaddoumi since the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in June. Greece has repeatedly expressed support for the Palestinians and the government has backed a fund-raising campaign for the besieged Palestinians in West Beirut.

The spokesman declined to comment on speculation that Saturday's talks would include the question of a visit to Athens by PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

Hassan favors summit on Lebanon

TUNIS, Aug. 7 (R) — Arab leaders should consider the Lebanon question in a global framework at an Arab summit conference rather than by itself, according to King Hassan of Morocco.

In a message to the Arab League Secretary General, Chadi Klibi delivered Friday by Moroccan Ambassador Muhammad Tazi, the king gave his views on a call by North and South Yemen for an urgent Arab summit on

the Lebanon crisis.

Tazi said Morocco considered the situation in Lebanon "should be examined within the framework of a global study of the Arab situation in general." He added that to this end, "The postponed summit of Fez (in November last year) remains open and we hope it will resume its work shortly."

Tazi said Klibi would convey the king's message to other Arab heads of state.

646 detainees released in Egypt

CAIRO, Aug. 7 (R) — Egypt Saturday released 646 people arrested under the state of emergency declared in October following the assassination of President Anwar Sadat, the official Middle East News Agency (MENA) reported.

Quoting the minister of the interior, Hassan Abu Basha, the agency said Saturday's decision was made by the government follow-

ing "objective investigations carried out within a security framework that ensures the country's safety."

Gen. Abu Basha was quoted in a Cairo newspaper earlier this week as saying that some 2,000 people were detained under emergency laws, excluding those charged or under interrogation in relation to extremist organizations.



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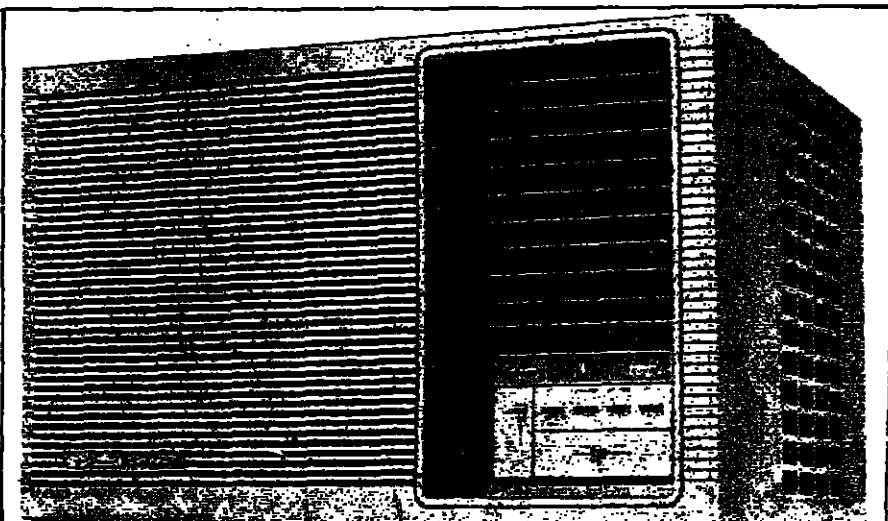
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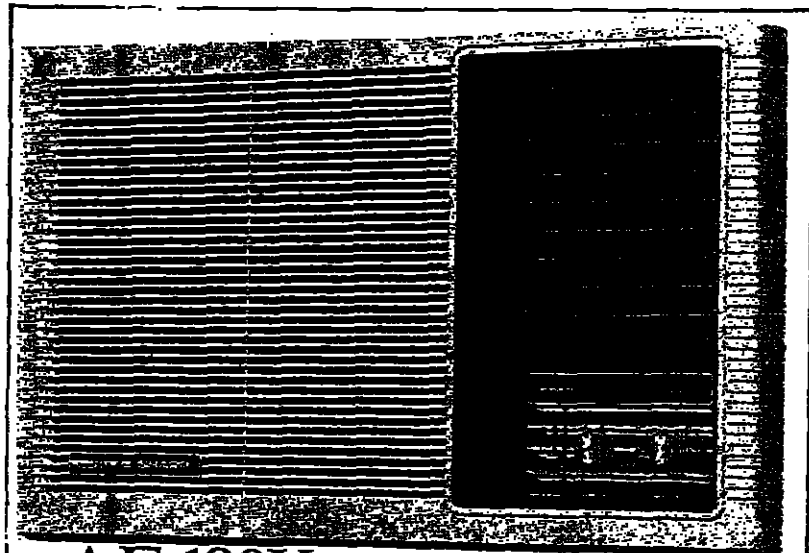
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America sets terms to attend conference on ocean peace zone

GENEVA, Aug. 7 (AP) — The United States reiterated Friday that it will attend an Indian Ocean peace zone conference only if Soviet troops pull out of Afghanistan.

The U.S. chief delegate, David Adamson, told a United Nations committee that any regional zone of peace conference would make a mockery of the word "peace" unless it addressed what he called the "primary threat to regional states from Soviet-based land forces."

The 46-nation committee is to prepare a U.N. conference designed to implement a

1972 U.N. General Assembly declaration proclaiming the Indian Ocean "for all times as a zone of peace."

Adamson said the U.S. naval presence in the region was fully consistent with the U.N. Charter and that a clear distinction should be made between these "normal international practices and land-based forces occupying a hinterland state of the Indian Ocean in clear violation of the most basic tenets of international behavior."

The United States is prepared to attend a conference if there is a "more contemporary and realistic zone of peace formulation" than contained in resolutions up to now and "after a significant improvement in the political and security climate in the Indian Ocean," including a Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan, he said.

Sri Lanka's delegate, Bernard Goonetilleke, said his country remained committed to hosting the conference in Colombo in May or June 1983. He joined issue with the argument that a conference should be convened only after an improvement of the security climate in the region. "There is no such thing as an ideal time," he said, calling on the committee to pursue its preparatory work.

Yoshihiko Kagawa of Japan said he doubted that a conference convened in the first half of 1983 would be of value as long as there "has not been a substantial change" in Afghanistan. He said a conference should be adequately prepared and joined suggestions that the committee work should focus on a set of agreed principles for a zone of peace "as a basis for ending the impasse we are facing now."

Nana S. Sutresna of Indonesia said the "increased militarization" in the region placed "the very concept of a zone of peace in question" and placed "added responsibility on the committee for speedy progress in implementing its mandate."

Ambassador Mansur Ahmad of Pakistan, citing Afghanistan, said that in the current climate of tension in the area, "the actual establishment of a zone of peace is likely to prove beyond the grasp of the conference."

Gandhi returns home

NEW DELHI, Aug. 7 (AP) — Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi said on her return from a 10-day tour of the United States and Japan Friday night that "it was a good visit" but some disagreement persists in the Indo-U.S. nuclear fuel dispute.

Several hundred political leaders and government officials at the airport applauded when the 64-year-old leader arrived on a special Air-India jetliner from Tokyo, where she met Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki and other Japanese officials after her U.S. visit.

Mrs. Gandhi told reporters she was "surprised with warmth and friendship" in the United States and her talks with President Reagan were "frank, friendly and cordial."

Referring to a breakthrough in the long nuclear dispute announced during her Washington visit, Mrs. Gandhi said, "I am glad some solution has been found" to the problem of supplying uranium fuel to the Tarapur plant.

PARIS, (R) — A bomb damaged a central Paris bank early Saturday and an extreme left-wing group claimed responsibility. The blast shattered the plate glass of the discount bank in the Rue de Turin, owned by the recently nationalized Rothschild group, police said. A caller later told news organizations that the Action Directe Movement carried out the attack. The group, a Paris-based cell with foreign connections, has claimed responsibility for a series of small bomb attacks over the past year, several of them against institutions linked with Israel.

WASHINGTON, (R) — The Soviet Embassy Friday denounced a U.S. decision to ban a Soviet journalist from returning to the United States until Moscow reverses its expulsion of an American journalist. The embassy called the action "completely unjust and unjustifiable" and noted the U.S. admission that Melor Sturua of the newspaper *Krasnaya* had violated any U.S. laws.



HANDICAPPED NO MORE: One-legged climber Don Bennet, of Mercer Island, Washington, shows off his special crutch that helped him to the summit of Mount Rainier recently. The 53-year-old first climbed the mountain, on two legs, in 1970. Bennet back home in Seattle, said the climb was to show the handicapped what a "can do" attitude could accomplish.

Hiroshima mayor protests underground N-test by U.S.

TOKYO, Aug. 7 (AP) — Hiroshima Mayor Takeshi Araki Friday strongly protested a U.S. underground nuclear test conducted Thursday, on the eve of the 37th anniversary of the atomic bombing of his city.

Another city official called the timing of the test "especially offensive" to Hiroshima's inhabitants.

In a telegram to U.S. Ambassador Mike Mansfield, Araki said news of the test conducted in the Nevada Desert reached him Friday morning during memorial functions for victims of the Aug. 6, 1945 American atom bombing of Hiroshima. He said he "strongly resented" the timing of the test.

In Washington, U.S. Department of Energy spokesman Eave Miller said such tests are planned months in advance, and denied that there was any connection between the test date and the Hiroshima anniversary.

In the text of the telegram, Araki, a survivor of the Hiroshima bombing, requested that the United States "not forget Hiroshima" and that it "respond to world opinion calling for the elimination of nuclear weapons, immediately stop nuclear testing and take a leading role in the complete abolition of nuclear arms."

Richard Scorza, a U.S. Embassy spokesman, said he would have no comment on the

telegram and would not confirm whether it was received by Mansfield.

The underground blast, observed by U.S. Energy Secretary James Edwards and about 30 reporters Thursday morning, was the 11th announced test at the Nevada test site this year. The U.S. Department of Energy said the warhead had an explosive force of between 20 and 150 kilotons, more than seven times as powerful as the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima.

Keiso Toyoneda, director of the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Hall and an adviser to the mayor, said similar telegrams are sent to the U.S. ambassador each time there is an announced nuclear weapons test.

Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the other Japanese cities hit with an atomic bomb, are sensitive to nuclear tests, including those by the Soviet Union, France, China and other nuclear powers.

Araki called for a freeze on nuclear weapons and a total ban on nuclear testing at the annual function held Friday at Hiroshima Peace Park. A crowd of more than 43,000 persons gathered quietly under clear skies to pray for more than 151,000 killed by the U.S. bomb. "Humanity is facing the threat of a nuclear war," he said. "It now time for world nations to promote disarmament as soon as possible and pave the road to peace."

Power lines sabotage affects 1m Salvadorans

SAN SALVADOR, Aug. 7 (AP) — More than one million people in most of eastern El Salvador remained without water or electricity Friday after leftist guerrillas dynamited a string of high-tension power lines, authorities said.

Meanwhile, guerrillas mounted harassment raids in towns and military posts late Thursday and early Friday, and the bodies of four persons, shot to death execution style, were found dumped by roadsides.

Guerrilla saboteurs dynamited a string of power lines before dawn Thursday near the towns of Nueva Granada, 109 kilometers east of the capital, and La Fria, 77 kilometers.

The attack left the eastern provinces of San Miguel, Usulután, Morazan and La Unión without electricity. State electric company officials said repair crews have not been able to restore power through most of the area comprising almost half of the country.

They said they did not know when power will be restored. Dozens of communities that

depend on electric-driven pumps were also left without water. "The people look for water in the ditch. These blackouts are a little uncomfortable," said a National Guard commander in Jiquitico, 105 kilometers east of San Salvador.

The commander spoke in a telephone interview but like most military people here, refuse to identify himself for security reasons. Blowing up power installations has been a frequent tactic of the guerrillas.

A similar attack on power equipment last Saturday left 1.5 million out of El Salvador's population of 5 million without electricity for up to 15 hours. The capital, with some 500,000 inhabitants, was without power for five hours. The latest blackout did not affect San Salvador, however.

Early Friday, rebel groups mounted harassment raids on military posts at a bridge over the Acelhuate River and at El Paisanal, both about 32 kilometers north of the capital.

Mass production possible

Interferon genes isolated

MELBOURNE, Aug. 7 (R) — A team of Australian biochemists has paved the way for the mass production of interferon, a key to the body's natural defense against viral infection, it is announced.

Once hailed as a wonder drug, interferon has been used to treat cancer and is considered a potential treatment for hepatitis, mumps and influenza, all viral infections. Research into its use has been inhibited by the difficulty of obtaining large enough quantities to work with.

A leader of the team at Melbourne's Monash University, Professor Anthony Linnane, told a news conference that the biochemists had succeeded in cloning three types of interferon genes.

"We have succeeded in isolating human interferon genes, these have been inserted

into a banele-coli and this bacterium is producing human interferon," Linnane said. "The next step is to transfer these genes to yeast and this will start producing interferon, you can grow as much as you want," he said.

Linnane said he hoped to have large quantities of interferon available within three years. It is naturally found in extremely small quantities as a protein in human blood. He said as yet there were no substantiated cases of the drug being successful with cancer.

Interferon produced by the Monash research group will be used with sufferers of multiple sclerosis in a three-year trial to be carried out by the Australian Commonwealth Serum Laboratories. It was first discovered in 1957 by Dr. Alick Isaacs, an Australian working at the British Medical Research Council's Mill Hill Laboratories in London.

Survey favors Spanish Socialists

MADRID, Aug. 7 (R) — Spain's opposition Socialist Party would easily oust the ruling Centrist Party if general elections were held now, according to published opinion poll.

The survey, in the daily *Diario 16*, said the Socialists would come to power for the first time in 43 years and the ruling party would collapse if the elections, widely expected before the end of the year, were held now.

The poll said the Socialists, who have not been in power since the 1936-39 Civil War, would win 37 percent of the votes compared with seven percent for the Union of the Democratic Center (UCD).

The right-wing Popular Alliance (AP) Party would emerge as the second political force with 10.7 percent, and the Communists would poll only 1.7 percent, according to the survey. A general election is due by next April, but many politicians expect the centrist government, weakened by divisions and defections, to call an early election before the

end of this year.

Three years ago, the UCD won 167 of 350 seats in the Congress (lower house) with 34.6 percent of the votes, while the Socialists won 29.8 percent. The Communist Party then polled 10 percent, well ahead of AP's five percent.

The latest opinion poll was carried out a month ago, before UCD appointed a new party leadership to try to restore its image, and former Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez left the UCD to set up his own party.

Socialist Party leader Felipe Gonzalez is the most popular politician in Spain, according to the poll. It said that 33.6 percent would vote for him if they had to elect the prime minister.

The leader of AP, Manuel Fraga Iribarne, a former minister of the late Gen. Franco, would win 12.9 percent, while Suarez would poll 4.5 percent and Prime Minister Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo 3.2 percent, the poll said.

Angola claims S.African incursion

LISBON, Aug. 7 (AP) — Angolan Foreign Minister Paulo Teixeira Jorge claimed Friday that South African military forces began a new incursion into the Marxist-governed nation's southern provinces Aug. 2, according to reports reaching here.

A dispatch carried by the Mozambican National News Agency (AIM) from Tripoli, Libya, quoted the Angolan minister as saying Southern Angola "is the target of an extensive South African military action." According to the AIM report, relayed to Lisbon through Maputo, the Mozambican capital, Jorge claimed that South Africans had massed four brigades, 34 battalions and "an independent regiment" along the southern Cunene province's border with Southwest Africa (Namibia) before the alleged push began last Monday.

South Africa, which administers South west Africa in defiance of a United Nations call for the territory's independence, launched a 15,000-man incursion into Cunene, Cuando Cubango and Namibe provinces a year ago nominally aimed only at Angolan bases of Namibian guerrillas.

While Pretoria claims its troops pulled out of Angolan territory in early September of last year, Angolan authorities have charged that a South African-controlled buffer zone along the Namibian border has been created, and that Pretoria's military forces have carried out repeated military strikes beyond the area.

Without quoting Jorge directly, the AIM dispatch reported that Angolan intelligence put the incursion force's material strength at 40 armored cars, 200 pieces of artillery, including mortars, 60 warplanes and 30 helicopters. Another 300 armored cars and 50 planes were waiting by the border to boost the South Africans' forces "if necessary," the report said.

The foreign minister who is in Tripoli as part of the Angolan delegation to a scheduled meeting of the Organization of African Unity, echoed Defense Minister Col. Pedro Maria Tonha's warning July 25 of the African buildup, describing an earlier reported South African bombing run against the Cunene town of Cahamé July 21 as the start of the current offensive's "first phase."

Poles hunting for cannibal

WARSAW, Aug. 7 (R) — Polish police have uncovered what they call the first case of cannibalism in the country since World War II. State television reported Friday night police were hunting for a 38-year-old man who murdered a 23-year-old woman in the village of Nowy Tomysl west of Poznan. Police said the man cut up and preserved her body and buried her head, hands and feet.

Showing film of a barn where the killing took place, the television report included a shot of a plate and spoon. The commentator said: "The gruesomeness of the crime is compounded by the fact that it is the first case of cannibalism in postwar Poland."

Meeting cautions on uniform culture

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 7 (AP) — The UNESCO world culture conference ended with a warning that the rapidly developing technology of communications can lead to "cultural dependence and alienation" among people and nations.

That caution was contained in a declaration of Mexico City adopted unanimously at the final session Friday. It stemmed from concern expressed repeatedly here, often by Third World nations, that the so-called "communications industries" of developed countries are accumulating too much influence as technology helps them to spread their reach.

The Third World points to the Western nations' dominance of exports of films, publications and television programs. Critics of the trend claim it is leading to too much uniformity and weakens the cultural heritage of many peoples.

"The modern communication media should facilitate objective information on cultural trends in the various countries, not to detriment to the freedom of creativity and cultural identity of nations," the declaration states.

The conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization started July 26. It was the second such gathering in UNESCO history.

The declaration did not endorse the "new world information order," which Third World nations have called for to offset the dominance of Western news media. Resolutions taking the toughest stands — offered by the Soviet Union, Cuba and Algeria — were toned down in negotiating sessions and accepted by consensus.

Namibians tortured

LUANDA, Aug. 7 (AFP) — Racism, beatings, forced labor, and lack of food and medical care are the daily lot of Namibian political prisoners in South Africa's Robben Island jail, off Cape Town, a United Nations human rights commission heard here Friday.

David Shikomba, who spent six years there, handed over a list of 51 ill Namibian prisoners to the commission and the names of three others who had died after ill-treatment.

He said the first Namibian prisoners, sentenced to life imprisonment by South African courts, arrived in 1968 at Robben Island, where the South African black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela has been held for the past 20 years.

BRIEFS

VIENNA, (AFP) — Communist China has sent 11 Chinese-made "scientific and technological testing satellites" into orbit and will launch its first communications satellite in 1983 or 1984, Jiaodong Sun, vice president of the Chinese Academy for Space Technology, said here Friday.

NEW DELHI, (AFP) — The Indian government denied Friday allegations by Fiji Prime Minister Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara that the Indian High Commission in Fiji had been used to funnel Soviet financial support to Mara's political opponents.

NEW DELHI, (AFP) — S.K. Pottekar, one of India's foremost literary figures, died at Kozhikode in southern Kerala state Friday. In 1980, he was awarded the prestigious Indian "Bharatiya Jnanapith" literary prize.

VIENNA, (AP) — The U.N.'s world assembly on aging ended Friday, with delegates urging the United Nations to boost aid

programs aimed at the elderly. The 10-day, 123-delegation assembly approved a "plan of action" designed to "strengthen the capacities of countries to deal effectively with the aging of their populations," conference officials said.

MOSCOW, (AP) — Soviet police on Friday arrested a co-founder of Moscow's only independent peace movement and placed him in a psychiatric hospital, fellow group members reported. Another member of the group was also arrested.

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada (R) — Prime Minister Maurice Bishop of Grenada, fresh from a nine-day official visit to Moscow, said Saturday the Soviet Union would establish its first diplomatic mission in this Caribbean country within the next six weeks. He told reporters that Grenada will also send a trade representative to its embassy in Moscow to strengthen trade ties between the two countries.

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ISRAELI GENOCIDE

The Palestinians will leave Beirut alright because the alternative is for 600,000 persons to die a violent death at the hands of the U.S.-Israeli war machine. Not even refugees in ramshackle buildings have been spared. And when rescue workers started digging for survivors and bodies, they were attacked by booby-trapped cars placed by the Israeli terrorists.

Someday the whole brutal truth of the Israeli genocide in Lebanon will be revealed and will rank with some of the worst atrocities committed by man against humanity. The sheer beastliness of the Israelis and the stunning impotence or unwillingness of the U.S. to stop the carnage, will continue to haunt the world for centuries to come. As the Canadian ambassador in Lebanon had already said, the utter destruction of Berlin by the allies in World War II will come to look like a tea party by comparison with Beirut.

Where has the conscience of mankind gone during the outrage? If the U.S. is party to it, why isn't Europe saying something about it and at least showing its revulsion to brutality of this magnitude? The rest of the world merely sits and stares at the massacre while the U.S. abuses its veto power at the United Nations to prevent anything that would smack of displeasure with Israel.

In any case, the departure of the Palestinian fighters from Beirut will not mark the end of the Palestinian cause or the Palestinians' ability to make themselves heard. There will be a lot of soul-searching in the Arab world itself and many questions will be asked why almost nothing has been done to protect the Palestinians from the U.S. and Israel and even fight for them whatever the consequences might be.

The questions will lead to some interesting answers and probably dead ends too. What is certain is that the Middle East map may be reshaped and a lot of equations shuffled.

Saudi Arabian press review

Saturday's newspapers devoted their editorials to Israel's continued attacks on West Beirut and the Kingdom's efforts to resolve the crisis in Lebanon.

Al-Bilad said the Saudi moves to contain the Lebanese crisis and King Fahd's personal efforts in this respect stemmed from the country's "responsibility toward Islamic and Arab causes." The paper noted the intensive contacts undertaken by King Fahd with U.S. President Reagan and other world leaders to "deter the aggression and stop attempts to annihilate both the Palestinian and Lebanese peoples besieged in West Beirut."

It said the Saudi diplomatic offensive had "effectively contributed to regional and international moves to avert a global catastrophe."

Al-Madinah said it was quite natural for Israel to reject the latest U.N. Security Council resolutions "because the Jews and their government are seeking to annihilate the Palestinian people and annex more Arab land by force."

"It was also natural for Israel to reject the Saudi eight-point peace plan for the Middle East because it was not interested in the region's stability or a just peace," the paper added.

Al-Madinah called on the U.S. administration to take a "daring and unique step by shifting its support to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) which is fighting for legitimate rights recognized by the U.N. and all international organizations."

The paper also urged the American administration to "initiate a direct dialogue with the PLO and support all international resolutions which endorse the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people."

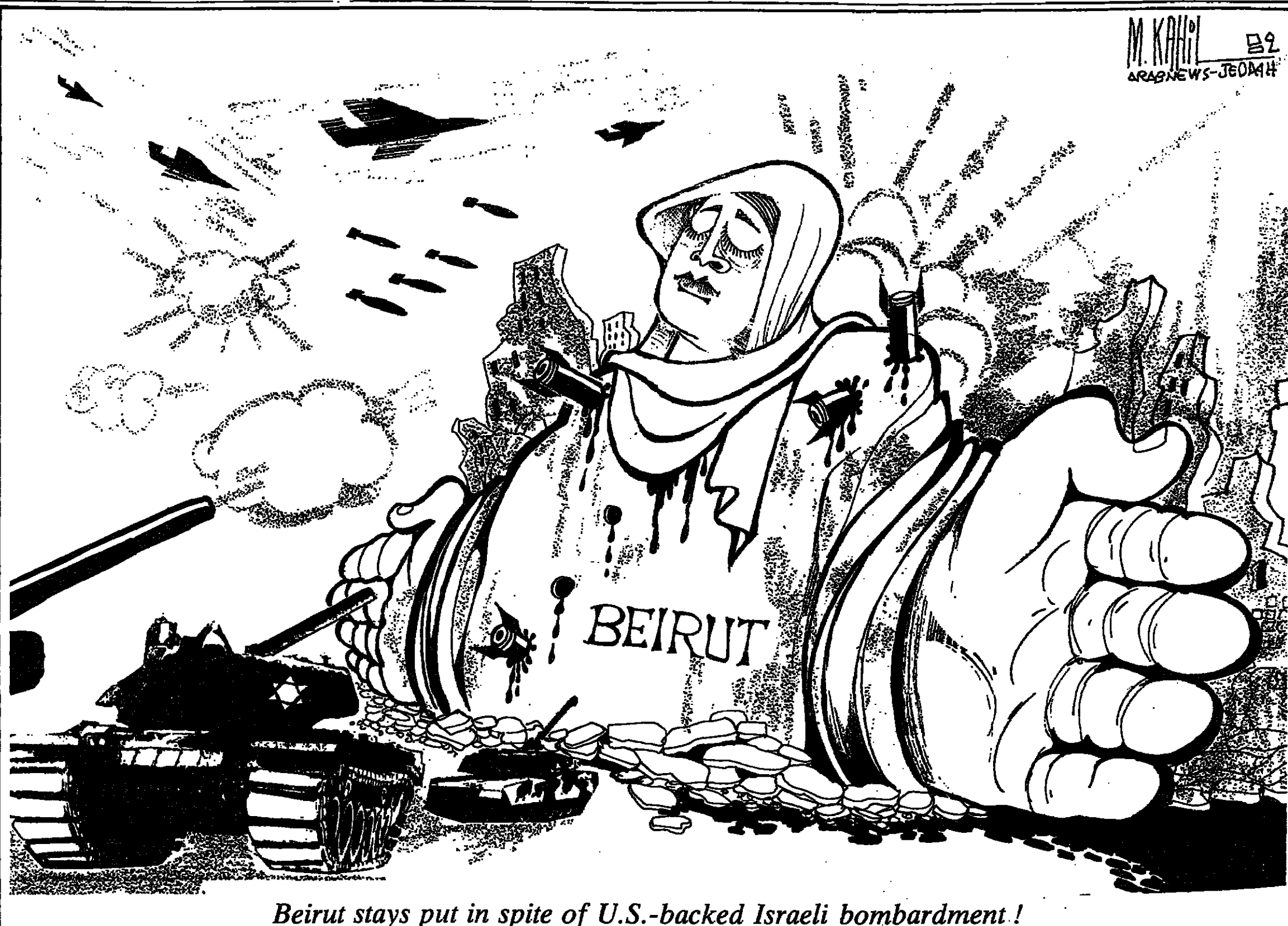
Okaz, hailing the Kingdom's support for the Palestinian people since the Israeli occupation of their land, said the Kingdom had always been aware of its role and duty toward the Palestine cause.

"In time of war the Kingdom had utilized all its military, economic and political resources. King Fahd had also warned of Israeli intentions to mount mercenary attacks on Lebanon," it added.

The paper highlighted the Kingdom's contacts with the U.S. to "explain the world danger that stemmed from Israeli practices and ensure a neutral American stand on the issue."

Al-Yom supported the call for an Arab summit "because of the crucial phase through which the Arab nation is passing." It called on the Arabs to iron out their differences and help "save the Palestinian and Lebanese peoples from their current ordeal."

The paper underlined the importance of solidarity in achieving the desired settlement. (SPA)



Beirut stays put in spite of U.S.-backed Israeli bombardment!

OPEC's Arab states top world's aid donors

By Robert Little

Latest figures provided by the Development Assistance Committee (DAC) of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris have revealed that OPEC Arab member countries are today, in percentage terms of their Gross National Product (GNP), by far the largest contributors to world aid and development programs.

In 1980 (the year for which the last full figures are available) aid from the seven OPEC Arab states (Algeria, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates) to the rest of the undeveloped world was more than 5 times greater than that contributed by the wealthy OECD countries as a percentage of GNP.

Member countries of the Communist-bloc Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (CMEA) compared even worse with OPEC Arab states contributing almost 12 times the amount (1.35 percent against 0.12 percent) to world aid projects. The member countries of CMEA are Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania and the USSR.

The member countries of the DAC of the OECD are: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Federal Republic of Germany, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Great Britain and the United States.

These figures however are even more striking when compared against the background of the financial resources disbursed in aid by OPEC Arab member countries and their own various stages of social and economic development. Although often portrayed in the West as rich nations, several of these countries are still on the threshold of the development process themselves.

According to the DAC/OECD statistics the six "capital surplus" OPEC Arab member countries, as defined by the International Monetary Fund, disbursed a net \$6.7 billion as official development assistance during 1980. This amount is almost the same as that disbursed by the United States during the same year; 55 percent of that of the EEC, twice as much as that of Japan and almost four times the total amount disbursed by the CMEA countries.

More significantly, unlike a good part of the funds made available by these other donors, the amount disbursed by OPEC Arab members went exclusively to countries universally recognized as "developing countries" and — unlike much Western aid — were completely untied to procurement from the donor countries.

As pointed out by Dr. Ibrahim Shihata, director-general of the OPEC Fund for International Development, in a recent speech, in terms of official development assistance as a percentage of GNP, the contrast is even more striking, with OPEC Arab countries surpassing the target of 0.7 percent aid to GNP ratio established by the United Nations "and not yet reached by any of the other donors."

The aggregate GNP of all the 13 OPEC member countries amounted to about \$563 billion in 1980. Proportionately, this amount represented approximately 7.5 percent of the GNP of all OECD countries; 20 percent of that of the United States, 19 percent of that of the EEC and less than 50 percent of that of Japan. So it can be seen that in spite of the substantial disparity in the size of their economies, compared to that of the developed countries' economies, the OPEC Arab member countries have continued to maintain significant levels of financial assistance to other developing countries.

On the basis of the figures published by the OECD/DAC, net disbursements of concessional assistance provided by OPEC Arab countries to other developing nations totaled close to \$40 billion in the period 1973-80. This amount represented annually on the average 1.8 percent of the aggregate GNP of all OPEC donor countries, and compares to 0.33 percent for the OECD/DAC members, and only 0.10 percent for the CMEA countries.

More realistically if the coverage is limited to the six members of OPEC (Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates) defined by the IMF as "countries that had a current account surplus each year in the 1970s," the amount of net official development assistance aid represented about 4 percent of their combined GNP.

What is of special importance is that, unlike the other donors, OPEC Arab states of course do not derive their wealth from renewable resources, such as an industrial or agricultural base. The main source of their revenue so far is from that depleting physical resource — oil, which in some cases represents the only wealth.

Therefore so far as the industrialized nations are concerned, if OPEC aid is to be put in a proper perspective, it must be borne in mind that it originates in and is given by the main developing countries. Although rapid advances are being made in some cases in the broadening of economic bases, by and large no OPEC country has yet developed a completely diversified industrial base, an advanced agricultural sector or, with the exception of one or two members, any major export other than oil.

Therefore the OPEC Arab states' record of aid to the undeveloped world must seem all the more impressive. The more so when considered alongside the fact that all OPEC members are food-deficit

countries, with several depending almost exclusively on imports for meeting their food needs.

One of the most important sectors of assistance given by the many OPEC aid institutions has been in the field of financing the exploration and development of the energy requirements of the developing countries. The increased cost of commercial energy since 1973, and its expected further increase over the coming years, constitute a serious challenge to the development efforts of Third World countries dependent on energy imports.

Addressing a seminar on the "Financing of New and Renewable Energy Sources in Developing Countries" in Helsinki last year, Dr. Mehdi M. Ali, the regional director for Asia of the OPEC Fund's Department of Operations Management, declared that in spite of the present glut on the international market, the future supply of oil is expected to remain tight.

He told his audience that developing countries will have to be prepared to pay an energy import bill which is even higher than that already burdening their balance of payments. In addition they also need substantial resources to develop their own indigenous energy potential to eventually reduce their dependence on imported energy. It was Dr. Ali's view that the high rate of international inflation, spreading recession in the major industrial countries, and increased protectionist measures in these countries have seriously dimmed developing countries' prospects of increasing their exchange earnings through higher exports.

While Western aid has been decreasing, OPEC Arab countries, to meet the rising needs of energy financing in oil importing developing countries, have sharply stepped up their aid since 1973. In absolute terms, the overall volume of total development assistance in net payments from OPEC stood at \$1.31 billion in 1973 and rose to a level of \$6.99 billion in 1980.

Consequently, aid from OPEC to the Third World for energy development projects (as measured by percentage of GNP) has far exceeded that of OECD countries. An annual average of 1.9 percent for the OPEC group as compared to 0.3 percent for the 17 wealthy nation members of the OECD.

Yet even more important, whereas much of Western aid has been channeled for political or commercial reasons to friendly nations within their area of influence, OPEC financial assistance has been deliberately directed at low-income developing countries in support of their development efforts.

So long as the wealthy industrialized countries of the world continue to be obsessed with their respective power blocs and the related arms race this situation is likely to get worse rather than better.

chamber of commerce. He and other leaders of the organization were jailed earlier this year for criticizing the government's economic policies, a violation of the social and economic emergency laws.

The Sandinista National Liberation Front's leftist policies, close friendship with Cuba and other Socialist countries and its strong support of leftist guerrillas in neighboring El Salvador have created many enemies at home. The state of emergency, which suspends many individual and press rights, has been extended through the end of the year to combat what the government calls the "systematic aggression of the counterrevolutionaries."

Sandinista leaders acknowledge the existence of domestic opposition but they insist their most serious problem is the United States, which they accuse of supporting armed rightist exiles to frequently attack the Nicaraguan Army from bases in neighboring Honduras.

"We are willing to discuss all issues with the United States," Ramirez said in a recent interview. "But our main concern is the safety of our borders and a U.S. commitment that it will not support any attacks against us."

The Sandinista party is named for Augusto Cesar Sandino, who led a rebellion against the U.S. occupation of Nicaragua in the 1920s.

Nicaragua has built the largest spending army and militia in Central America and has organized

neighborhood defense committees, organizations that control even the distribution of food. Many people say they are repressive and that they are unable to get certain rations unless they are members of the Sandinista neighborhood committees.

The majority of party leaders are Marxist-Leninists. Their policies have clashed with those who favor a mixed economy, many of whom have been forced to resign and leave the country.

"Their purpose is to show that the mixed-economy system does not work and to achieve a radicalization of the process — their true objective," said Alfredo Cesar Aguirre, former president of the central bank, who resigned and left for Costa Rica in June after sending a letter of complaint to junta leader Ortega.

There are increasing reports of armed anti-Sandinista groups staging raids from Honduras. At least 80 clashes have been reported along the Honduran-Nicaraguan border since the Sandinistas took power. The Sandinistas say 84 Nicaraguans and 23 insurgents have died in fighting since late June.

While whipping up nationalistic fervor against alleged U.S.-sponsored attacks, the Sandinistas also are seeking an agreement with the United States that would open U.S.-controlled avenues of credit. It recently renegotiated portions of an estimated \$2.5 billion foreign debt and paid a token sum to show good faith. (AP)

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Letters to the editor

Multinational force

Sir,

While agreeing with almost the whole world that Israel was completely wrong in its invasion of Lebanon, it seems now that no-one knows what to do about it.

From the United Nations downward it would appear that a multinational force could keep the antagonists apart. This, so far, has proved not to be the case in the areas where the United Nations has sent a contingent. I know this from personal experience, and the Israeli invasion went through the United Nations lines.

There must be an agreement that any incursion for whatever reason should be stopped by force. It is no use standing in front of traffic if you have no power to stop it. The multinational force must be given the right to open fire on any violators.

The multinational force should be in the position of a soccer referee with the power to caution and send off any offender (i.e., imprison or execute, as necessary in the circumstances) and the linesmen should therefore be from each team (PLO & Israel) so that a "fair play" can be guaranteed.

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Confronting the enemy

Please wake up my dear Muslim Arab brothers. We only condemn the ongoing massacres of our Palestinian and Lebanese brothers in Lebanon. We are only talking without any action to help our brothers trapped by the Zionist enemy.

We, your Filipino Muslim brothers in the Philippines, ask our Arab brothers to forget their differences and confront our common enemy. If we keep silent, then Israel will occupy new Arab lands.

Lastly, we, your Filipino Muslim brothers in the Philippines, are willing to join the Jihad. By the way, the name of the Prime Minister of Israel Begin stands for: B - Bestial; E - Evil; G - Goon; I - Incessant; N - Noxious.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Aug. 8th, the 220th day of 1982. There are 145 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1524 — Peasants' revolt begins in Germany.

1549 — France declares war on England.

1588 — British forces under Sir Francis Drake destroy Spanish armada in battle off France.

1647 — Irish forces are defeated by British parliamentary forces at Dangan Ruit in Ireland.

1815 — Napoleon Bonaparte sails for St. Helena to spend rest of his life in exile.

1914 — British troops land in France.

1953 — The United States and South Korea sign mutual defense treaty.

1967 — South Vietnam's President Nguyen Van Thieu says more United States' and other allied troops will be needed to defend South Vietnam.

1974 — U.S. President Richard Nixon announces his resignation, saying Watergate scandal has forced him to step down in the national interest.

1978 — U.S. White House announces that Egypt's President Anwar Sadat and Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin are invited to meet with President Jimmy Carter to discuss Middle East impasse.

1981 — U.S. White House announces that President Ronald Reagan has decided to favor full production of neutron weapons despite expected protest from European nations.

Thought for today:

In order to have good soldiers a nation must always be at war — Napoleon Bonaparte, French general (1769-1821).

Arab image in American mass media -- II: Suggestions to combat the stereotype

By Jack G. Shaheen

To counter the media image of Arabs, I propose immediate consideration be given to the establishment of two Arab cultural centers — one in Washington, D.C., a political center of influence, the other in Los Angeles, California, the heartland and the television and motion picture industry.

Each center would feature an Arabesque design, similar to Qatar's National Museum. In order to increase American knowledge of the Arab world and positive attitudes toward it, we should consider implementing the following at each center:

1. Distinguished speakers program: Not only could the center sponsor in-house speaker programs but a small staff of Middle East experts could regularly travel throughout the country to meet with civic leaders, students, teachers, media and political leaders.

2. Art exhibits, film festivals and fashion shows: Films and art works by Arabs and others could be offered. Annually, an international film series could be hosted. With fashion, the center could feature the diverse, colorful patterns of Arab dress.

3. Musical events: Produce and host Arab musicians and dancers.

4. Bookstore: Patterned after a typical college bookstore. Offer books about the Middle East as well as folk crafts, stationery, tour books, and T-shirts.

5. Book of the Month Club: An Arab-American book club. Americans could subscribe and select books ranging from Edward W. Said's *Orientalism* to James Ennes' *Assault on the Liberty*. Thousands of books could be made available through such a profit-making club.

6. Library: Adjacent to each center would be a library housing not only books, magazines and newspapers, but also video tapes and films.

7. Exchange visitors' program: Scholars, labor and media officials could visit the Arab world and vice versa.

8. Artists-in-residence: A staff of artists representing several disciplines. The purpose? To develop plays, concerts, paintings, and television dramas. Their work could help counter prevailing myths.

9. Finally, an Arab restaurant and bake shop, complete with appetizing meals from over 20 different nations. Cookbooks, cookware, bread and baklava. Waitresses could wear various Arab modes of dress. Falafel and Shawarma for snacks. Menzies for special occasions. In addition to the cultural center we need a research institute. The institute could be located on or near a major university campus. The initial goals of the research institute which I hope to help establish, as well as the cultural centers, would be to document Arab stereotypes. The institute's goal: to produce a minimum of a dozen volumes, complete with illustrations and personal interviews.

Each book would focus on various stereotypes:

1. Editorial cartoons: Concentrate on Herblock who recently showed King Hussein as a vulture preparing to attack an American supporting peace plus other nationally syndicated cartoonists.

2. Comic books and comic strips: Both are popular because of their entertainment value and because of their sociological content.

3. Magazines: *Playboy* to *Atlantic*. Include the leaders: *Time*, *Newsweek*, *Reader's Digest* and *National Geographic*.

4. Newspapers: Focus on *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times* and their news services.

5. Wire services: Associated Press and United Press International. The wire services are the most obvious consensus builders in the news industry. The "wires" provide much of today's news.

6. TV News: Analyze the news flow from the Middle East to the United States. Conduct extensive interviews with Middle East correspondents.

7. Motion pictures: Interview presidents of major companies and the Guilds.

8. Novels: From dart boards using Arabs as bullseyes — to Uncle Abdul's oil wells.

9. Novels: Over 200 works of fiction are available. Analyze contents. Interview selected writers, editors, and publishers.

10. Textbooks: All levels, elementary, secondary and university.

11. Reference works and government studies on race: Analyze and meet with government officials.

12. One volume to summarize all of the above.

The sooner the stereotype is documented the sooner legends about Arabs will disappear. Taken together, the proposed volumes by the proposed research institute will teach others to see. Often what we see, others do not. For example, a few years ago I met with a friend, Bill Fields. Bill and I talked for nearly two hours about stereotypes at a fashionable St. Louis restaurant. On leaving, he asked me if I noticed anything wrong with the wall mural. I studied the mural, a southern plantation, and told him: "It's a fine work of art. Good composition and color." He laughed. Suddenly he became serious: "Look again, Jack." Eventually I saw what Bill, a black man saw — blacks as slaves working on a southern plantation. Arab nations should consider establishing professional mass media programs. Graduates of such programs could be encouraged to enter the print and broadcast professions in their respective countries. The expertise of media professionals in the Arab world is essential in order to help bridge the information gap.

Arab leaders should also begin planning to telecast, in cooperation with newly formed sports and entertainment networks, major international cultural and sporting events from their respective countries. Arabs can provide special programs to international audiences. But the initiative for such programs must come from the Arabs themselves.

Arab executives should also approach the three major television networks (ABC, CBS and NBC) and discuss the possibilities of co-producing films in and about the Arab world.

Consideration might be given to having journalists learn more about Arab life. Have they ever attended a wedding? Taken a service? They should.

Arab governments should also develop special orientation programs for their ambassadors. Such orientations could effectively maximize their effectiveness. The ambassadors could be provided with information concerning the workings of Western media and political systems. They could travel throughout the United States as often as possible and meet with American civic groups, college faculties and student, political and media figures. When asked by a member of Amman's Philadelphia Rotary Club as to what Rotary organizations in the Arab world could do to combat the stereotype, I offered this suggestion. Rotary clubs, and similar organizations should put together a 10-15 minute slide presentation (or film) about their respective countries. When an Arab Rotary Club member visits the United States, or any other country, he could attend media and society seminars. The seminars are examining how the media deals with, among other topics, race. Why not sponsor a seminar on Arabs? Actually, an American-Arab information summit is needed. Here, we could discuss the best ways of approaching visiting newsmen and women and politicians who visit the Arab world. At this summit, we could also discuss how to work with Western journalists.

An honest media image of the Arab is possible. But a long-term commitment must be made. Media systems will not eradicate the stereotype unless we — Americans and Arabs together — lead the way. We can get a fair shake (no pun intended) provided we work together. The responsibility is ours. As Cassius says to Brutus in *Julius Caesar* —

"The fault, dear Brutus is not in our stars, but in ourselves."

Gene Blaby, London's Middle East manager of United Press International, told me: "Approach Americans with a basic appeal to fairness. The stereotype is not so much malice as ignorance. You cannot underestimate the ignorance of the American people about things outside their own horizons. But if you approach them with information, with facts most of them will be quite receptive. Most of them will respond to an appeal for fairness."

Nationally syndicated columnist for the *Los Angeles Times*, George Anne Geyer, told an audience at Georgetown University: "When I came (to Egypt in 1969) I was very sympathetic to Israel...I soon became shocked at myself, over my own lack of knowledge and my own prejudices against the Arab. The latter existed because I had never known an Arab and had been exposed to highly prejudicial writings about them and I immediately readjusted my thinking...I found I genuinely loved the Arab world." In late 1982, my book on the Arab TV image should be available. As a result, I believe members of the television industry will acknowledge that an injustice against Arabs has been committed. And I am confident that some TV producers will correct past stereotypes with more realistic portrayals. But it took nearly eight years to document the TV Arab.

Also, the documentation is only a single positive spoke in a wheel of distorted media images. Clearly, the Arabs suffer from distortions. But who benefits from them?

America is the world's leading exporter of information. Unless we now begin to seriously work on the stereotype, it will continue. Tomorrow's citizens will inherit today's imagery.

Let us not minimize the influence of the mass media. One reason the rape of Palestine took place was because the media failed to show us the Palestinian people. We could not feel for those we did not know.

Today, Arabs are known. Not as they have been. Nor as they really are. To date, no major motion picture or television program in my country, no best seller, no Broadway play has traced the life of a Palestinian. Isn't it time for us to see an Arab version of *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Exodus*, and *Roads*?

Jack Guss, story editor of the *Tupper John*, M.D. television series, told me that he would love to write a screenplay about Arabs. But "I can't write about what I don't know," he said.

In Jordan I saw men at prayer. Devout Muslims expressing their faith. A taxi driver kept his passengers waiting as he removed a prayer rug from his car. Kneeling at the curb, he paid homage to his maker. At sunset, a business man pulls his car off the road and prays. At an office, an elderly man walks into an empty room and softly recites mid-day prayers. One day I hope to see the media portray Islam in this manner — on a human level.

Recently, I read an article about the Palestine-Israeli issue in *TV Guide*, our most widely read magazine (October 1981). Author John Weisman wrote of an American TV news bias, in favor of Israel: "It is undeniable that in covering the conflict between the Palestinians and Israelis," said Weisman, "the U.S. networks are much more likely to give the Israeli perspective than they are to voice Palestinian concerns."

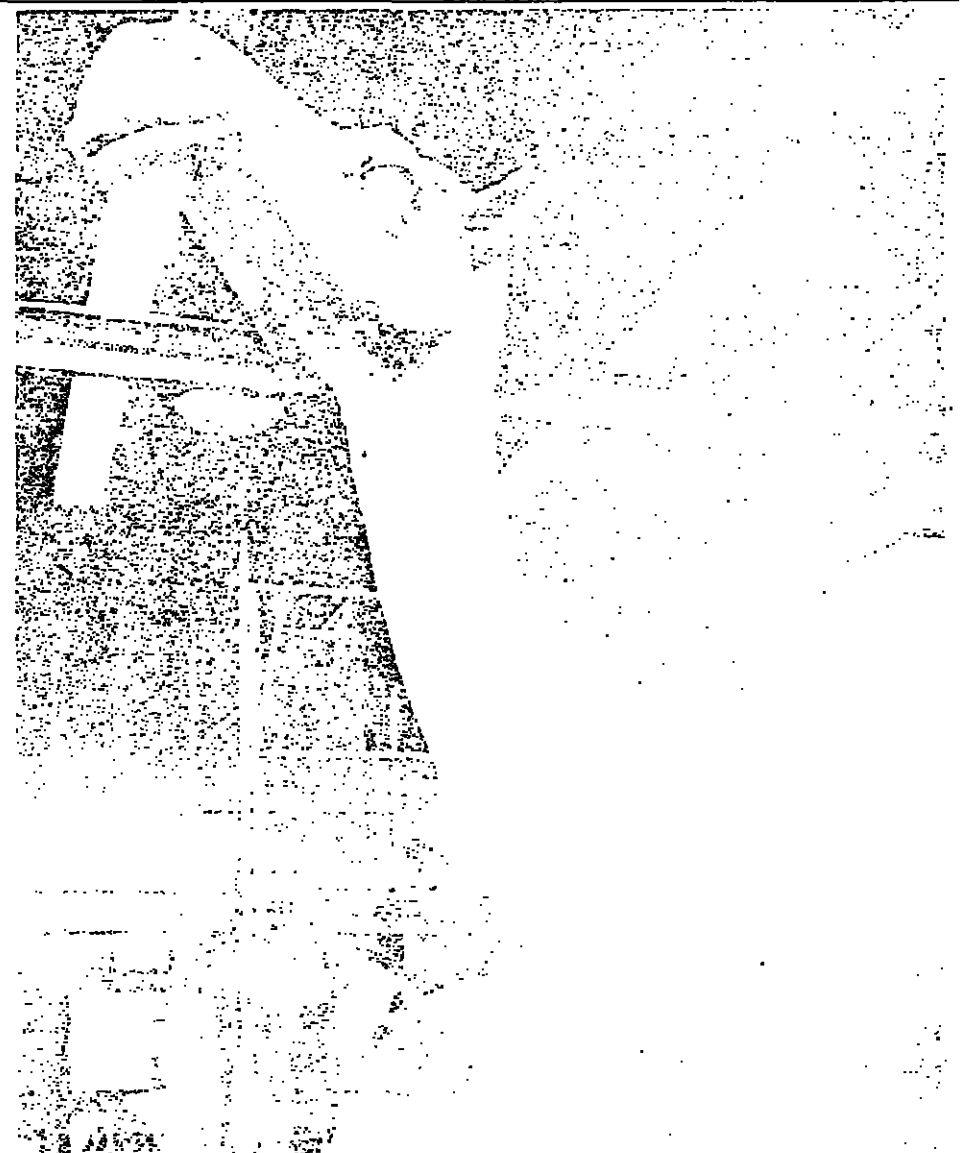
Editors of a major American newspaper who traveled to the Mid-East for the first time told *Jordan Times* editor Rami Khouri that their paper was no longer "pro-Israel". They will continue to support the existence of Israel — as a state. But they will not approve of Israeli attitudes or action concerning Palestinians and West Bank settlements.

As of this writing, we should be aware that change is occurring and that perceptions of the Middle East by today's journalists are becoming more balanced. Change will continue. But in order to destroy past myths, we must actively assist in the communications process between our cultures. Let us offer current realities. If, as Ali Ghandour of Alia Airlines said: "Arab is beautiful," then let Arab beauty be exposed. Let us assist others to see for themselves what Arabs really are.

For it is written in the Holy Qur'an that if we do not have the capacity to change ourselves and our attitudes, then nothing around us will change.

In conclusion, let us remember what Jordan's King Hussein has said: "I very firmly believe that the American people are a fair people — a just people. We belong to the same family and our hopes and aspirations are one and the same. All we need do is concentrate on understanding each other better."

(Concluded)



CAMEL IN THE MAKING: This life-size camel will illustrate the subject of transportation at the new Walt Disney EPCOT Center due to open in central Florida in October this year. In a popular American game for youngsters the instruction reads: "Impress Arabs with your patriotism by dating a camel."

Argentine student detained for 7 years without charge

By Douglas Grant Mine

BUENOS AIRES (AP) — On the day in October 1975 when he registered for the draft, Gustavo Westerkamp, then a 22-year-old economics student at the university of Buenos Aires, was arrested by plainclothes police. He was jailed, never charged with a crime and still is in prison.

Westerkamp, described by his parents as a Socialist, is one of about 400 persons in prison in Argentina at the disposition of the government under emergency powers provided in a state of siege imposed in 1974.

The imprisonments illustrate the power the executive branch, now a military government, has over the Argentine judiciary.

Some of the 400 have been cleared by the courts of any wrongdoing. Others convicted by the courts or military tribunals have completed the terms of their sentences. But all remain in prison.

Westerkamp's parents have become human rights crusaders. His father, Jose, a renowned physicist and former fellow of the National Research Council, lost his university post and fellowship after taking legal action on his son's behalf. His mother, Angela, a retired chemistry professor, says her activism helps her bear the thought of Gustavo's wasted prime.

President Reynaldo Bignone, the retired army general who took office July 1 and promised a return to civilian rule by March 1984, has reiterated the six-year-old military regime's position that the prisoners are part of the toll of the battle against leftist subversion here in the mid-1970s.

The "casualties" include 6,000 to 15,000 people said by various sources to have "disappeared" — most of them after being detained by security forces. By 1977, nearly 9,000 others were imprisoned under the emergency powers.

Bignone told the English-language newspaper *Buenos Aires Herald*, the country's most outspoken newspaper on human rights, that he agreed "in principle" that those held without charge should be formally accused or freed. But he made no commitment to do so and reiterated contentions by his military predecessors that "the time is not right" for lifting the state of siege, which voids most constitutional guarantees.

Under the civilian regime of President Isabel Peron in early 1976, a federal judge ruled, in accordance with the article of the constitution providing the emergency powers, that Gustavo must be given the option of leaving the country. But there was a delay in signing the order and the armed forces ousted Mrs. Peron and took over the government in March of that year.

Jose Westerkamp has submitted five writs

to the executive branch petitioning for his son's release. All have been rejected. He has also pursued judicial channels to have the original judge's release order carried out.

"Our appeals get endlessly postponed," Westerkamp said in an interview with the Associated Press. "And justice that is not rapid is not justice."

The Westerkamps, who sit on the boards of two local rights groups, spoke about their struggle over tea in their modest Buenos Aires apartment.

"From the beginning you always think they're going to let him out next week or next month," Mrs. Westerkamp said. "If I'd known in 1975 that my son was going to spend the next seven years in jail, suffering tortures and privations, I think I would have killed myself."

Gustavo has told his parents that torture, with electric shocks, beatings and exposure to the elements, was routinely practiced on the detainees. Such reports were confirmed by a panel of the Organization of American States that visited Argentina in 1979, though conditions reportedly have improved considerably in recent years.

"I have had periods of deep depression, insomnia," Mrs. Westerkamp continued. "I've resorted to sleeping pills and Yoga to get through months that seemed endless. But I've developed a personal defense technique, which is to pull down the curtain to try not to think about Gustavo in jail and dedicate myself to doing everything I can for him and the others."

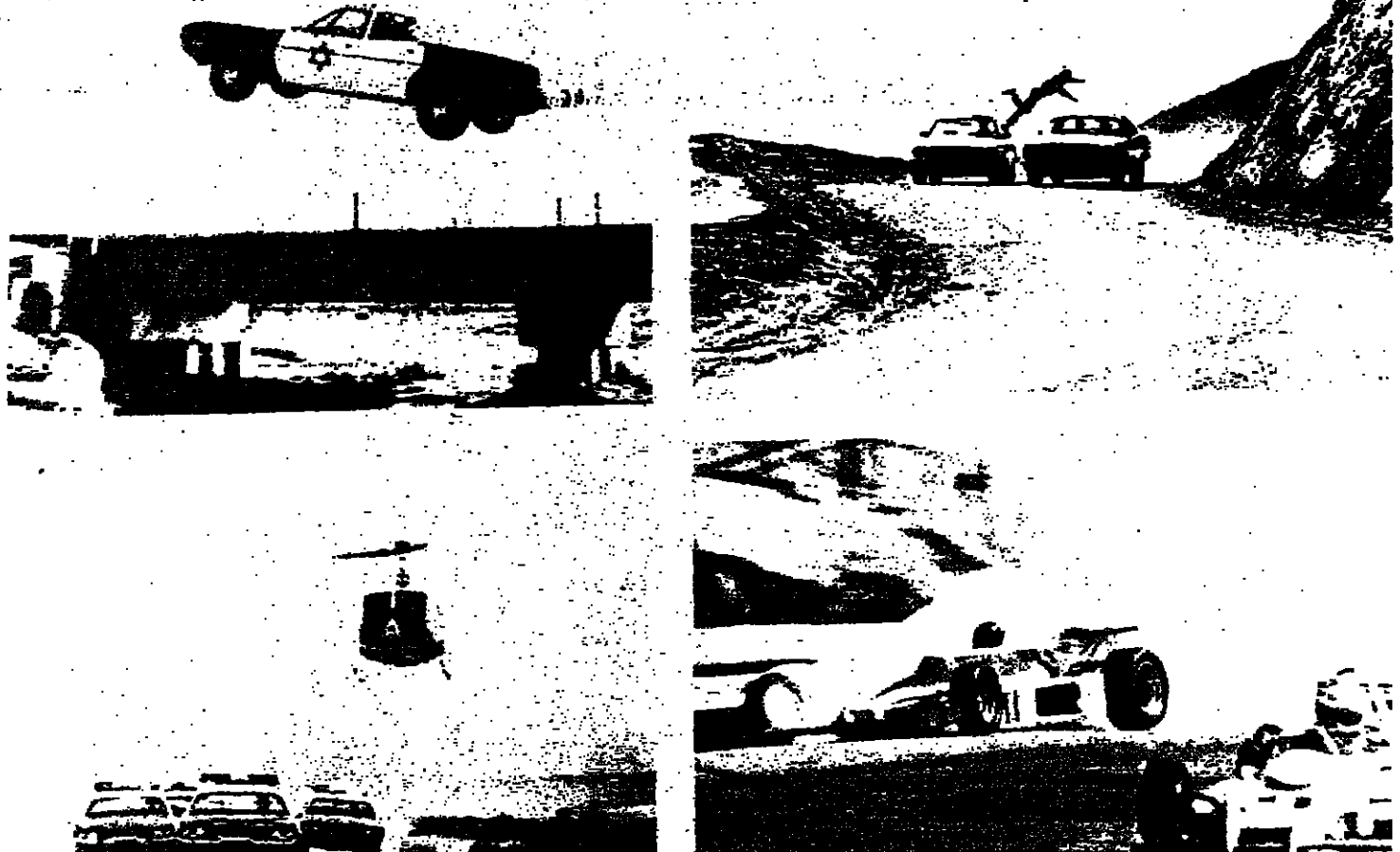
Mrs. Westerkamp said she was enraged earlier this year when she received a letter from her son saying the federal judge of Rawson, the southern city where Gustavo and about half the detainees are held, told him to advise his father to quit his activism, that it was prolonging Gustavo's captivity.

She traveled to Rawson and went to see the judge, Omar Gurruchaga, who asked him, "Do you dare tell me you believe my husband's work on behalf of human rights is keeping my son in jail?" and he answered, yes, his son frankly I do." She said she was aghast and asked Gurruchaga by what right one person could be imprisoned because of the action of another.

"His only response was that it is a military government and the rules do not apply," said Mrs. Westerkamp.

Jose Westerkamp, who was detained for four days on Gurruchaga's orders on a trip south in July to visit his son, said Gustavo recently resolved not to leave the country now even if the option were offered him.

"He said it would be a farce to accept something now that was awarded more than six years ago, then asked for and denied five more times since then," Westerkamp said.



"FALL GUY": Some of the action-packed sequences in the new American television series, *The Fall Guy* are seen here. Arabs are often depicted as the "bad guys" in U.S. screen and TV programs.

Reagan aide acquires painting for \$3.25m

By Jo Ann Lewis

WASHINGTON (WP) — Daniel J. Terra, President Reagan's ambassador at large for cultural affairs, and founder of the Terra Museum of American Art in Evanston, Illinois, has paid \$3.25 million for "Gallery of the Louvre," a painting by 19th-century American artist-inventor Samuel F.B. Morse.

It is believed to be the highest price ever paid for a work of art by an American artist. "It's a very important statement about cultural development in this country, but I never dreamed I'd own it," said Terra last week.

He bought the 6-by-9-foot painting from Syracuse University, which received it as a gift in 1884. Syracuse agreed to the sale, according to Terra, on the condition that the painting be made more accessible to the public.

Considered one of Morse's masterpieces, "Gallery of the Louvre" was painted in the Louvre in 1832. It depicts several Americans viewing 38 paintings hanging in the museum's Salon Carré. Morse shows himself as teacher, leaning over a student's shoulder in the foreground. In the left corner are novelist James Fenimore Cooper, his wife and their daughter, who was an art student of Morse. Surrounding them are miniature reproductions of paintings by Rembrandt, Leonardo, Rubens, Raphael and Titian. The painting is in the tradition of earlier "Gallery" pictures painted between the 17th and 19th centuries.

The record price for an American painting sold at auction is the \$2.5 million paid for Frederic Church's "Icebergs" in October 1979. No similar records are kept of private sales, but several leading dealers in American

art agree that this probably sets the record. "I can't think of another American painting that comes close to that figure," says Robert Vose, 71, who has run his venerable Boston Gallery for 50 years.

"To my knowledge, it is a record," agrees Lawrence Fleischmann of New York's Kennedy galleries, one of the largest in the world devoted to American art. "But we ourselves have sold a Winslow Homer seascape for \$2.5 million within the past two years. It used to be that \$100,000 was the top, but now more and more we are crossing the million-dollar mark on American pictures."

A widely publicized pair of portraits of George and Martha Washington by Gilbert Stuart, now owned jointly by the National Portrait Gallery and the Boston Athenaeum, brought \$4.87 million in 1980, but that was for two paintings.

"Gallery of the Louvre" was made 10 years after Morse's "The Old House of Representatives," now in the Corcoran Gallery of Art here. Both were conceived as exhibition pieces that Morse hoped people would pay admission to see. Both failed to produce the expected income, leading Morse to refocus his attention on what had been an avocation in scientific research. He subsequently produced the telegraph and the Morse code, which ultimately overshadowed his accomplishments in art.

Terra is a self-made multimillionaire and founder of Lawter International Inc., a chemical conglomerate. As finance chairman for Reagan's campaign, he raised \$21 million. Terra owns other record-price paintings, including "The Jolly Flatboatmen" by George Caleb Bingham, which he bought at auction in 1978 for close to \$1 million. He and his late wife, Adeline, began collecting

American art in the early '50s, and in 1980 opened Evanston's Terra Museum of American Art. Terra recently acquired a prime corner on Michigan Avenue in Chicago, where his new museum is slated to be built to house this and other paintings in the terra collection.

SELF-SERVICING

81 WRITTEN & DRAWN BY BILL CALDWELL

1 JACK THE CAR UP AND MOUNT ON AXLE STANDS THEN REMOVE THE WHEEL. CLEAN DIRT AWAY FROM THE HEADLAMP WIRING AND BOLTS TO BE REMOVED. APPLY RELEASING FLUID WHERE REQUIRED.

2 REMOVE THE WIRING TO THE HEADLAMP AND SIDELAMP. ALSO REMOVE THE LAMP UNITS, BODY TRIM, WING MIRROR AND BADGES ETC.

3 LOOSEN ALL BOLTS HALFWAY SO THAT THE WING IS FREED FROM THE BODY. THEN REMOVE THE BOLTS AND LIFT OFF THE WING. CLEAN THE BODYWORK FLANGE WITH SBRERY CLOTH.

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To monitor heart activity continuously

Britain invents lightweight electrocardiograph

By Dr. W.A.R. Thomson

LONDON (LPS) — Research in the department of medical physics and medical engineering of Edinburgh University, Scotland, has resulted in a new lightweight electrocardiograph that monitors the activity of a patient's heart continuously for 24 hours.

Electrocardiography, of course, has established itself as one of the standard methods of heart examination during the past 70 years, although its use has been generally restricted to patients in hospital or in the doctor's consulting room.

Originally, this restriction was imposed by the weight of the machine itself but the instrument was gradually made lighter and some can now be carried in a doctor's car.

The new electrocardiograph from Reynolds Medical and known as the Tracker has even greater versatility. It can be worn by the patient when walking about, and records a continuous electrocardiogram of the heart for 24 hours as the patient eats, sleeps, works and exercises.

Any significant irregularities in the beat or electrical activity of the heart are recorded. They are detected when the tape is run at high speed through a computer.

Tracker weighs only 300g and measures 122 x 92 x 33 mm. Because it is so small and light it is not uncomfortable, and this is appreciated by both old and young patients.

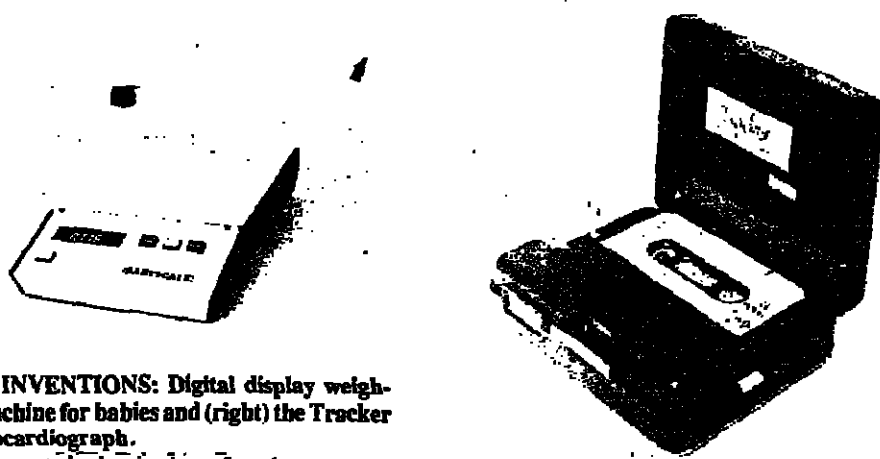
Indeed, because it is so unobtrusive, those wearing it almost forget its existence. It is so quiet in operation that it does not disturb sleep, whether worn by, or placed beside, the patient.

Tracker incorporates an electronically driven system which uses only 30 percent of the power of previous recorders. This means that it can run for a full 24 hour recording on a standard 9 V battery and a C90 cassette. Should extended recording time be required, up to 32 hours can be obtained by using a C120 cassette.

The mechanism is simple. It has only two moving parts, which helps to ensure remarkably long and trouble-free life. There are no cogs or gear trains subject to wear which would cause tape speed fluctuations.

Powered by an independent battery, a quartz crystal drives a time display on the fascia of the recorder and uniquely encodes this time on to the tape.

This independent battery requires renewing only once a year, obviating the need to set



NEW INVENTIONS: Digital display weighing machine for babies and (right) the Tracker electrocardiograph.

the time at the beginning of each recording.

The patient's lead connector body slots into the cassette deck and is locked into position by closure of the recorder's case.

All physical strains on the leads from the recorder to the patient's chest, caused by movements, are taken by the connector body and not by the electrical contacts.

This minimizes artefactual recordings as well as the risk of the leads becoming disconnected and reassures the patient that the

Tracker will remain connected even during restless sleep or sporting activity.

Antenatal monitoring of the foetal heart is now accepted as one of the most valuable indicators of the state of the foetus. In many ways it gives more precise information than chemical tests and without any risk to the unborn child. Where it is of particular value is in dealing with what are technically known as "high risk" patients.

Clinical problems can be identified and treated early. Alternatively, and equally important, if the monitor shows all to be well the mother can be reassured and proceed through her pregnancy with all unnecessary anxiety allayed.

For safe and effective antenatal monitoring the Sonicaid FM4 Foetal Monitor is now available. It is extremely easy to use, has minimum and simple controls, and it conforms to British, European, United States of America and Canadian safety standards. It produces a high quality assessment of the foetal heart rate and the contractions of the uterus, which are fed to a recorded roll chart recorder.

Accessories include a wide-angle ultrasound transducer for easy location of the foetal heart and continuity in recording its activity. There is also a uterine contraction transducer which is easy to apply, and an event marker in the form of a patient-operated push-button to record movements of the foetus on the contraction chart.

Servicing is simple, with easy access to all major circuitry.

Two models are available: one for use during the antenatal period, and one for use during labor. The latter (model FM4L) has an optional facility for recording the electrocardiograph by means of a foetal scalp electrode.

Antenatal and labor models are supplied on a specially designed, highly maneuverable trolley.

The latest development in micro-electronics is a weighing machine for babies. Known as Babyscale and produced by Weightech, it shows the weight in bright 15 mm high digits.

Another Look

Mike Fagan and Queen Elizabeth

By Robert Yoakum

"Early one morning a single commoner with the Dickensian name of Fagan scaled the walls of Buckingham Palace barefoot, clambered up the drainpipe, through the window, and into Her Majesty's bedroom.... What I want to know, since they are all safe and sound, is what on earth the queen and her subject — Elizabeth and Michael — talked about for 10 minutes."

Ellen Goodman column

"Yes, Phillip?" said the queen, To the man on the bed.

"No, ma'am," said a voice,

"It's Mike Fagan instead."

"Mike Fagan?" asked the queen,

"Have we met before now?"

"No, ma'am," answered Mike,

Rising briefly to bow.

"I see," said the queen.

"Are you upstairs or down?"

"Not neither," answered Mike,

Which made the queen frown.

"You mean," asked the queen,

"That you came from outside?"

"That's right," answered Mike,

With ill-concealed pride.

"And why," asked the queen,

"Did you want to do that?"

"Well I've come," replied Mike,

"For a bit of a chat."

"My man," said the queen,

"That is thoughtful of you,

"But I'd like to point out —

"And it's just entre nous —

"We queens hold our chat.

"At quarter past three.

"Can you come around then,

"For some talk and some tea?"

"Cor blimey!" exclaimed Mike,

"That's right nice invite!"

"But that is a time When security's tight."

"I came," explained Mike,

"By climbing the drain.

"I could easily get caught

"If I did that again."

"You might," mused the queen,

"But how's one to know?

"Another intruder

"Entered one month ago."

"That were me!" Mike announced.

"I recall," said the queen,

"You don't," said the queen,

"Need to climb in next time.

"When coming for tea,

"Just pull on the chime."

"Just think!" Mike exclaimed,

"A cuppa with the queen!"

"Amazing!" she agreed,

"And it breaks the routine."

"We've never," she said

"Had an intruder to tea.

"Now please don't forget:

"It's at quarter past three."

"But please!" asked the queen,

"Do cover that bruise!

"And this time," she said,

"You must wear your shoes!"

(Wednesday: Interview with "earlier Elizabeth")

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

STOP KILLING YOURSELF

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: I read your column regularly and agree with much that you say, but there is one thing you don't mention that bothers me.

I am overweight and belong to Overeaters Anonymous. I have noticed that when overweight people write to you, you don't mention OA. I have taken the liberty of sending you some OA literature.

OA is often the last resort of people who have tried doctors, pills, diet clubs, hypnosis — you name it, we've tried it.

OA doesn't cost anything; doesn't weigh you, doesn't shame you. It — like the parent group, AA — seeks to help you to change your life so food is no longer the be-all to end-all of your existence.

Please read our literature. If you think there is merit in our program, then please suggest it to overeaters who write to you. — Mrs. S.

Dear Mrs. S.: I have mentioned OA a few times in the past — perhaps you were out of town on the days the column appeared.

I believe that an organization such as OA may help many obese persons who have failed to lose weight by other means. Here is some information for those interested in joining:

* OA is a fellowship in which compulsive eaters have joined to share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve the problem.

* OA began in 1960. It can be found in more than 4,000 weekly meetings throughout the United States. Check telephone books, newspapers, or by writing to Overeaters Anonymous, World Service Office, 2190 190th Street, Torrance, Calif. 90504.

* Any one can join. There are no dues or fees for membership.

* There are no religious requirements, affiliations or orientation.

MEDICALETTES:

(Replies to and from readers)

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: I have a 22-year-old nephew who has been

By Peter J.

Steincrohn

M.D., F.A.C.P

diagnosed as having spinal arthritis. Will you explain? — Mrs. C.

Dear Mrs. C.: It has a tongue-twisting name: Ankylosing spondylitis. "Ankylosing" means stiff or rigid; "spondylitis" means inflammation around spinal joints.

It's more common in males, and in those between 15 and 35. About two and a half million Americans suffer from it. It's usually a mild disease but in some patients can cause major deformity and disability.

It's a systemic disease that may also affect hip and shoulder joints. One danger is fracture of the spine because it is not flexible.

The cause is not known. The disease rarely occurs in blacks. Good posture is important. People with spondylitis should not sleep on a soft mattress.

Treatment includes exercise and special drugs like phenylbutazone and indomethacin. Aspirin may be effective.

According to Frederic C. McDuffie, M.D., of the Arthritis Foundation: "Although spinal arthritis is a chronic disease, people with it can expect to live normal, productive lives."

I hope your nephew falls into this class, Mrs. C.

For Mr. J.: Now that you have had some difficulty with your feet that interferes with jogging and walking, consider the following suggestions by the American Podiatry Association:

"Good jogging shoes are essential. They should provide cushioning and support to heel and arch, with sufficient room to move the toes.

Feet should be clean and dry. Wear thick socks to absorb perspiration and reduce friction and irritation. Trim the toenails. Cut straight across. Use commercial corn cures with care to prevent skin burns. (Tomorrow: diet cure gout?)

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Government oil revenues are slackening in the Gulf states, but the income and profits of banks and other financial bodies are soaring. The strength of Arab financial institutions is helping to spur development projects in the region and expanding regional control of oil income. Page 18

The state hydrocarbons group Petromin has approved two new domestic refineries that will make the Kingdom self-sufficient in refined products. Sites have been chosen in the Central and Southern Provinces. Page 4

Fire on a Greek cargo ship off the Saudi coast in May dumped tons of foodstuffs into the Red Sea. The incident provided the Meteorology and Environmental Protection Agency with the first test of its newly formulated marine emergency contingency plan for oil spills and other sea disasters. Page 6

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Threat to heritage seen

Malaysians protest dam project

By Li Shui-Hua

KUALA LUMPUR (Depthnews) — A proposed hydroelectric power project in Malaysia has sparked off such passionate protest from the usually placid Malaysian public that the government may decide not to go ahead.

The minister of energy, telecommunications and posts, Datuk Leo Moggie, has said that while the government "has decided in principle to proceed" with plans to build the multi-million dollar Tembeling dam, it could still be shelved if detailed studies on cost, benefits and environmental impact did not favor construction.

This might be interpreted as a tiny but significant concession. The previous stand was that the government "intended to develop all hydro resources in the country" to reduce the dependence on oil for power generation. The extent to which adverse public opinion has played is debatable. But many observers believe that the government will probably not proceed with the construction of the dam on the Tembeling River which drains part of the national park in Pahang state.

The government has set a target to reduce the thermal power share in electricity generation, now at 85 percent, to reduce the thermal power share in electricity generation, now at 85 percent, to 40 percent by 1985. By the year 2000, it hopes this will be down to 5 percent.

The public is questioning the wisdom of building a dam which would provide an additional generation capacity of only 110 megawatts but which would destroy an irreplaceable part of the country's natural heritage and possible sources of archaeological treasures. The protesters also point out that Malaysia is relatively well endowed with other energy resources such as natural gas and oil.

Historians, archaeologists and environmentalists who oppose the dam believe its construction would mean flooding part of Malaysia's only national park, destroying million-year-old trees and a rich and rare variety of other plant and animal life. More than 3,000 people, according to a 1979 study,

will have to be resettled.

A total of 11 environmental and social groups have formed a committee to coordinate the protests. The committee has embarked on a nationwide campaign to collect signatures in a bid to persuade the government that opposition to the dam is not confined to the urban intellectual elite. About 6,000 signatures have been collected so far, including 400 from the Tembeling area. Support for the committee has been pledged by groups as diverse as the Malaysian Medical Association and the Technological Association of Malaysia.

The government in early February this year had directed the National Electricity Board to dust off its files on the project which had been shelved more than five years ago after lengthy studies by the NEB and two separate teams of Australian and Russian consultants. The cost of the fuel oil then was just \$50 a ton.

Estimates of the extent of damage to the park differ. The government says it will be minimal and affect only 3 percent of the park area. But the anti-dam groups disagree. The Pahang Association of Consumers says Tembeling dam will flood 326 sq. km. of the park's southern boundary or 7.5 percent of its total area of 36,000 hectares.

Gurnit Singh, the articulate president of the Environmental Protection Society of Malaysia, claims that the project will flood some 37 percent of the lowland area of the park. The EPSM is making the Tembeling dam as a "litmus test" of the government's commitment to environmental quality particularly during this year, the tenth anniversary of the United Nations conference on the environment.

Gurnit contends that the amount of power to be generated does not justify the consequent environmental costs. It will provide only about 5 percent of Peninsular Malaysia's current generating capacity, he says. Arguing that there is no public evidence that Tembeling was the only means of getting the necessary power, Gurnit feels other potential sites are being ignored.

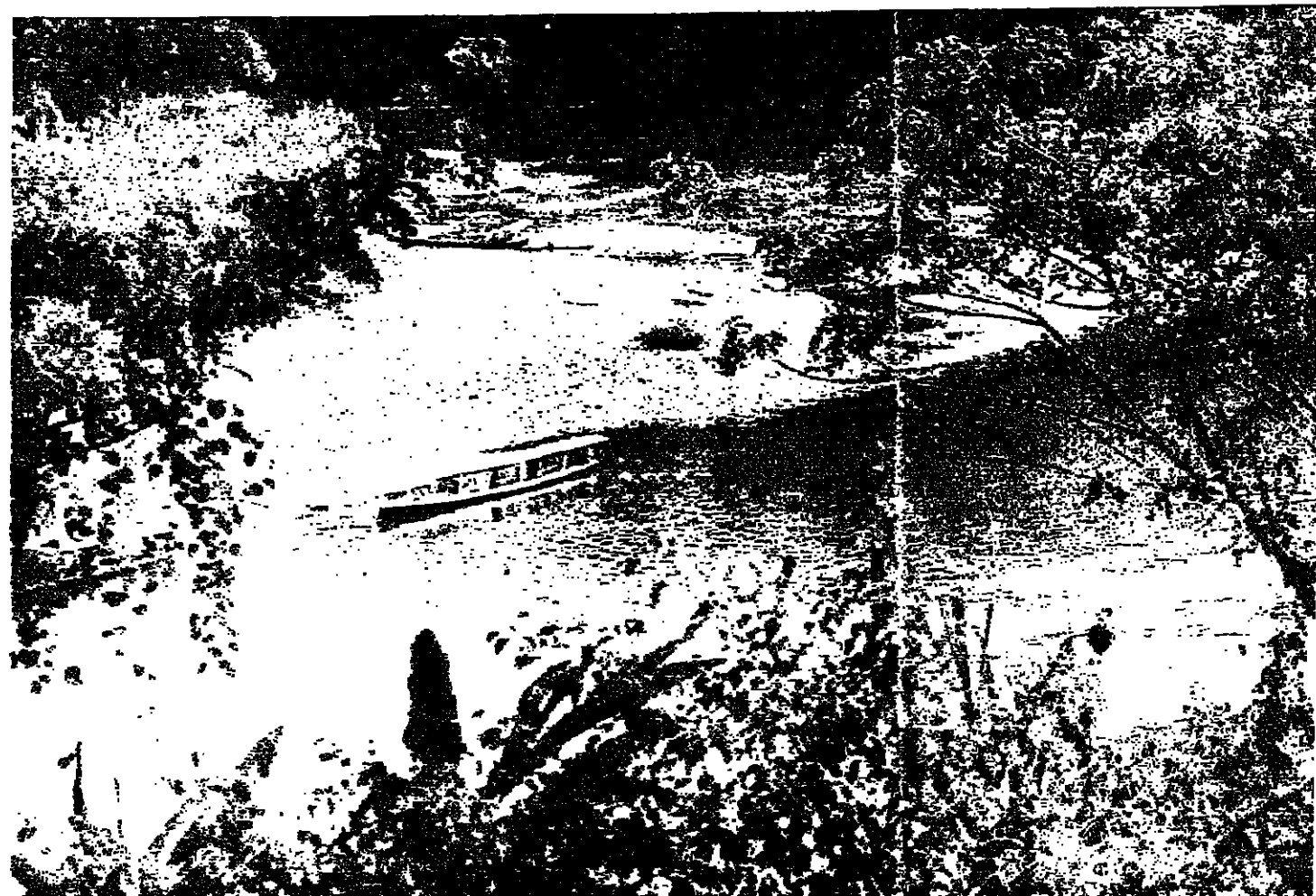
Ministry of Energy officials, however, maintain that they are actually examining the

proposal for joint construction of dams in three sites. Building the two others without the Tembeling would not bring the advantage of flood control, they said. The government has given the assurance that environmental factors will be considered but has stated that development needs of the majority of the people will take top priority.

Trips to the park organized by the Malaysian Nature Society and other groups always popular seem to have become more so since the announcement to consider building the dam. Archaeologists point out that historical records and current studies both show that the Tembeling region may be an important storehouse for historical treasures. They feel that by following the Tembeling River, it is possible to learn the sequence of social development from the northern to the southern part of the country.

A lecturer in pre-history and archaeology says there have been many cases of accidental prehistoric finds along the river. "In light of such knowledge, we do feel that the Tembeling is one of the richest pre-historic areas in the whole of Peninsular Malaysia," he says.

Whether the dam will be built will depend on the results of the various studies. Even if the green light is given, it will take some time before the project can be implemented. Where the environmentalists and concerned public stand on the issue is clear, and the energy situation of the nation would have to deteriorate remarkably for the protesters to change their minds.



GREEN LIFE: In Malaysia's warm tropical climate luxuriant green vegetation grows uninterrupted all the year round. Environmentalists are now questioning the wisdom of building a dam in Pahang state which would provide an additional generation capacity of only 110 megawatts but which would destroy an irreplaceable part of the country's natural heritage.

'Unique by a thousand miles'

Tourism creates problems for Seychelles Islands

By Alastair Matheson

VICTORIA, Seychelles (LOS) — Tourists who find "grilled bourgeois" on the menu at their holiday hotels in the Seychelles Islands need have no qualms. It is merely a Creole recipe for baked red snapper fish and has nothing to do with the way the islands' Marxist government disposes of capitalist infiltrators.

Nevertheless, tourism in the Seychelles does create some problems for the nonaligned regime of President France Albert Rene, who came to power five years ago in a bloodless coup which ousted a playboy president.

Since these Indian Ocean islands, almost 1,000 miles from anywhere, became more accessible with the opening of an international airport in 1971, tourism has boomed.

In recent years there have been more visitors annually than the total population of 62,000 islanders. It does not require a social scientist to identify the difficulties such a situation could create.

So when President Rene began implementing his Socialist program in an effort to reverse the capitalist excesses of the man he deposed, James Mancham, he first had to reconcile certain obvious contradictions posed by affluent Western tourists among

islanders being groomed for a life of austerity, hard work and belief in Marxism.

The contrast between the tourists' conspicuous consumption and that of the islanders, depending upon slender local resources, became only too apparent.

Apart from a pleasant, warm climate and rich marine life swarming amid the coral reefs surrounding most of the 92 islands, the Seychelles group possesses little in the way of natural resources.

Because of the nation's poverty, to call a sudden halt to the tourist influx because it might seem an affront to Karl Marx was more than even a dedicated Socialist like Rene could consider.

He opted to maintain the flow of visitors to finance his ambitious program of social reform, which has given the people of the Seychelles better health, education and social services than most countries on the African mainland.

But international tourism means not only huge import bills for the luxuries that go with five-star hotels. It also means links with countries with policies that are abhorrent to a Socialist government — such as imports from South Africa and even white South African holidaymakers.

South Africans are still made welcome despite the recent abortive attempt by white

mercenaries from South Africa to topple the Rene regime and replace it with a more "friendly" government with Mancham back in the saddle.

Most of the foreigners on holiday here know little, and probably care less, about the extensive changes taking place because they are insulated in a few luxurious beach hotels with their own beaches, reefs and lagoons. Apart from the hotel staff, most tourists seldom come into contact with the Seychellois people.

Worried at the possible effects on younger Seychellois of the visitors' opulence, the government has been trying to explain to the Seychellois the economic benefits of having tourists, at the same time dispelling the belief, widespread in other Third World countries, that tourists are just people who laze in the sun all-year-round. The message is that everyone has to work.

Tourism brings in about \$40 million annually, represents the bulk of the islands' foreign exchange earnings, with the rest realized from the sale of vanilla and copra. The fact that this year there is only half the number of tourists compared with the 1979 peak of 78,000 is causing serious concern.

Almost too late, the government has realized how much it erred in leaving tourist promotion to the international airlines and tour operators, thinking that their islands

were so beautiful that tourists would continue coming even though air fares and hotel tariffs had risen steeply, and ignoring the growing competition from other playgrounds such as Mauritius, Sri Lanka, Thailand and the Maldives Islands.

Now the president has taken tourism under his own wing and appointed a dynamic Irishman, John Enright, to carry out a \$2 million promotion campaign.

Enright, who has helped to put the Bahamas and Miami Beach on the map for holidaymakers from Europe, aims to present the Seychelles as much more than just another place in the sun. His slogan is "Unique by a thousand miles."

Unlike former President Mancham, who was planning to allow Arab entrepreneur Adnan Kashoggi to create a tourist complex around some of the loveliest unspoiled beaches on Mahe, Rene wants the state to have more control.

Private enterprise will still be allowed, but under state supervision so that the islands' natural beauty is preserved from the rush to expand.

One regulation says new hotels must be no higher than the palm trees. Rene's practical application of "small is beautiful" is an appropriate policy for the smallest state in Africa.

New hope for orang

By Arjuna

MANILA (Depthnews) — Pity the "man of the forest" called orang. The formidable-looking, but gentle orangutan is being hunted down for illegal trade. Meanwhile, logging and forest clearing operations continue depleting their habitat.

But wait, here come helicopters from the Royal Malaysian Air Force swooping down the remote jungles deep in Borneo's Sarawak state. So remote that helicopters had to fly scientists who had traveled six days by river to establish a base camp.

After one of the forest guards discovered that orangutan nests could be spotted from low-flying helicopters, a systematic survey flight was made over the Lanjak-Entimau forests adjacent to the Indonesian border. Nearly 100 nests were counted during one hour of flying, boosting hopes that orangutans can be conserved in Borneo. The huge apes build nests in trees both for sleeping at night and for daytime dozing. Sometimes a single ape will build several nests in one day.

While down-to-earth reconnaissance and census walks showed the apes are illegally hunted, the scientists concluded that there is still hope for adequate protection until the orang population reaches the carrying capacity of the forest. So, too, for Sarawak's acrobatic lesser ape, the grey gibbon, and four different kinds of monkeys, two species of langurs and two macaques.

The forest is also home to seven species of hornbills, including abundant representatives of Sarawak's official state emblem — the rhinoceros hornbill. The very beautiful but threatened Bulwer's pheasant also stays in the forest. No wonder that there are plans



to make Lanjak Entimau (1,269 square kilometers) into a park. Sarawak plans to increase its protected areas to 5 percent of its total land area, and Lanjak-Entimau will be the sixth park if it pushes through, increasing protected areas to 2 percent of Sarawak's territory.

Although Lanjak-Entimau has suffered from some shifting cultivation in the past, the local Iban people are free to hunt there — as long as they did not touch any protected species. But tentative plans to translocate other orangs to Lanjak-Entimau from doomed tracts of forests elsewhere were abandoned. It was feared that they might have a disruptive effect on the local community. The slim hopes that the very rare Sumatran rhinoceros would be found in the forest were also not realized.

The forest is important for people, too. As a wildlife sanctuary, it will continue to give vital cover to the catchment areas of eight rivers. Without its protective "sponge" effect, serious fluctuations in the water levels would occur, causing dangerous flooding at times. This can also result in severe erosion of the thin soil on the hillsides, together with harmful siltation of the rivers.

Which is why, one day, the air force came to the aid of the "man of the forest."

Asia's small fishermen among 'poorest of the poor'

By Sachin Preecha

BANGKOK (Depthnews) — Asia trebled its fish production in the past three decades but the people mostly responsible for it continue to be among the region's "poorest of the poor."

They are the small fishermen whose catch contributes more than 50 percent to the region's annual fish production, says the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

Constituting 90 percent of the millions behind the region's fisheries industry, these small fishermen often find themselves daily at the "periphery of survival," notes FAO, their individual economic status remains at the subsistence level.

Asian governments are not unaware nor insensitive to the plight of the small fishermen but FAO describes past efforts as simply not enough.

Realizing the limited benefits that accrued

to the fisherfolk from past programs, FAO says governments in the region have mounted fresh efforts, often with assistance from FAO and the U.N. Fund for Population Activities.

Some of the ongoing programs include improvement and mechanization of traditional fishing methods, upgrading of fishing technology, provision of production credit, improvement of marketing systems, organization of cooperatives and fisheries extension services.

Fisheries will continue to play a vital social and economic role in Asian and Pacific nations in the decades to come, according to the agency. At present, the region is a "major and dynamic fish producing area," contributing 40 percent of the total annual global fish production.

An estimated 60 percent of the world's inland fish catch and 80 percent of aquaculture production come from Asia. The industry provides direct and indirect employment

to millions of people and is worth billions of dollars.

In moving to loosen poverty's grip on the small fisherfolk, governments are now armed with relevant socio-economic and demographic data which help design village-level action programs.

The information was gathered by a two-year pilot effort initiated by FAO to secure basic data from selected fishing villages representative of the region. The effort was conducted in collaboration with UNFPA and national institutions.

Villages selected by the baseline surveys were in Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand and Malaysia. Their main findings:

Small-scale fishermen suffer from low incomes due to low productivity and lack of supplementary sources of income.

Their average income tends to be lower than those of other occupations in the village.

While fishing remains the major occupation of small fishermen, less than two-thirds

of their time is spent on fishing since economic necessity compels them to engage in part-time farming and other non-fishing jobs.

Depressed standards of living of the small fishermen are clearly reflected by their socio-economic indicators on education, health, housing conditions and possession of durable household assets. Literacy averages of the household heads and their spouses appear lower than the national averages.

Median population age in the fishing villages is generally young. Fertility and mortality rates are higher than the national averages with awareness of family planning practices varying from one nation to the other.

As perceived by the fishermen themselves, their major problem is inadequate income because of low productivity of fishing activities resulting in poverty. Others include inadequate gear, depleted fishing grounds, illegal fishing, lack of credit and social services.

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With base rates down

U.S. companies said shedding bad patch

NEW YORK, Aug. 7 (R) — With interest rates beginning to fall, the outlook for U.S. company profits is brighter after a dismal series of results in the first half of the year, analysts have said.

Company results for the three months ended June were amongst the worst in recent years, and may not have been any better than the disastrous first quarter, they said.

"The numbers for the second quarter were pretty dismal, but it will take a couple of weeks to know for certain how they shaped up against the first quarter," said Allan Greenspan, head of the economic consulting firm of Townsend-Greenspan.

But he and others said they believed the corporate profit slump hit bottom in the April-June quarter and that results were likely to improve in the second half of the year.

Oil struck near Jakarta

TOKYO, Aug. 7 (AP) — Indonesia-Japan Oil Cooperation Co. of Japan was reported Saturday to have discovered an oil deposit capable of producing 2,000 barrels of oil and 200,000 cubic meters of natural gas a day, jointly with Indonesia's state-run Pertamina Oil Co.

Quoting the Indonesia-Japan oil cooperation, Japan's *Kyodo News Service* said the Japanese and Indonesian firms have been prospecting an area in the outskirts of Jakarta since 1979.

The two firms will produce oil and gas on a commercial basis beginning in late 1985, *Kyodo* said.

Their views will come as welcome support for the Reagan administration which has been predicting that the economy is about to emerge from the deep recession that has thrown millions out of work.

On Tuesday, U.S. Budget Director David Stockman told the Senate Budget Committee that the evidence of recent months showed the economy was over the worst of the recession and was displaying signs of improvement.

But Greenspan cautioned that corporate profit growth would be "very modest" for the rest of 1982. "The recession is over, but the recovery has not yet begun," he said.

He said the future trend in interest rates, which have been blamed by economists for prolonging the recession, were critical to the economy's recovery and company profits.

Earlier this week, major banks cut their prime rate, the interest charged on loans to their most creditworthy customers by half a percentage point for the third time in recent weeks. It now stands at 15 percent.

Greenspan said, "I think the prime rate will go down to about 14 percent, perhaps a shade lower, this year then stabilize." Gordon Pye, senior vice-president at the U.S. bank Irving Trust Company, said he had anticipated an improvement in the July-September quarter even before the recent decline in interest rates. "Now I am even more confident," he said.

Consumer-orientated businesses, given a boost by the government's recent tax cuts, were expected to lead the improvement in company profits. For manufacturers of capital goods, such as machine tools and construction equipment, the outlook is not so good.

Weekly commodities

Coffee, tin prices keep upward trend

LONDON, Aug. 7 (AFP) — Commodity markets were dominated by currency fluctuations this week, as well as by the latest cuts in British and United States interest rates.

Early gains were noted, with sentiment boosted by Britain's good external trade figures for June. The gloomy report from the Confederation of British Industry on economic trends had not much effect, since it had been largely anticipated. Increased tension over Lebanon was also a factor.

Sterling's recovery accounted for losses later in the week, but its subsequent sharp fall reversed the trend in front of the weekend.

Overall trading remained quiet and transactions were thin as usual over the summer period. Transactions were interrupted Thursday by more bomb alerts on the London Metal Exchange and the coffee terminal market.

Among metals, tin was again in the forefront, thanks to the intervention of the buffer stock manager of the International Tin Council. Among soft commodities, coffee picked up on the latest cut in International Coffee Organization export quotas.

Gold: Steadier. Initially up as a reflection of the dollar's weakness, bullion lost ground later as the U.S. currency firmed up.

Copper: Firmer. Prices advanced strongly at first in the wake of bullion and following the news of a further cut in U.S. interest rates.

Tin: Steadier. The widening of the cash price premium over three-month quotations reflected the continuing activity of the International Tin Agreement buffer stock manager.

The cash price reached highest for two months, as short-covering was also noted some buying by the Dutch company Holco strengthened the market further. Stocks fell by 640 tons to 40,646 tons.

Lead: Irregular. Prices moved ahead in a very narrow range, until the U.S. producer Asarco announced a two cent cut in its domestic U.S. price to 26 cents a pound. Stock rose sharply by 5,250 tons to 114,575 tons.

Zinc: Firmer. Prices initially fluctuated upward with other metals, but they were barely steady. Stocks increased by 475 tons to 69,150 tons.

Silver: Steadier. Irregular movements

were noted in the wake of gold. Initial gains developed despite a 620,000 ounce rise in stocks to a record 36,630,000 ounces. The market then lost ground but recovered before the weekend.

Aluminium: Irregular. Prices followed the general upward trend at first, despite reports that China had recently purchased 50,000 tons of ingots directly from a North American producer at \$980 a ton FOB at British Columbia. China is normally a net exporter of aluminium.

Coffee: Initially lower in the wake of New York, prices were boosted by the one million bag cut in the overall global export quota of the International Coffee Organization.

Currency considerations, as well as reports of slightly cooler weather in Brazil, were additional factors. The physical market remained quiet.

Tea: Strong demand developed at this week's London auction. Bright liquoring East Africans met keen competition, and often turned dearer. Mediums were generally unchanged. Central Africans were irregular, with colony types firmer and planter sorts tending lower.

Banks to debate Polish debt issue

FRANKFURT, Aug. 7 (R) — A working group of Poland's Western creditor banks will hold further debt talks in Warsaw in the middle of next week, banking sources said.

The talks are expected to be held with representatives of the Bank for Foreign Trade, Bank Handlowy, and the Finance Ministry, and will continue negotiations on the rescheduling of about \$2.4 billion of commercial debt falling due this year.

It will be the first meeting between the two sides since talks at the beginning of July in Vienna.

Banks have proposed rescheduling 95 percent of 1982 principal and have insisted on Poland meeting all its \$900 million of interest payments due. But they are also willing to make 50 percent of the interest payments available in the form of one-year trade credits, the sources said.

Poland has been seeking to delay 100 percent of principal and a recycling of at least 80 percent of the interest in trade credits.

Next week's meeting is expected to try to bridge this gap, the sources added, with banks hoping to be able to sign a letter of intent on the rescheduling before Sept. 10, an intermediate deadline set in the \$2.4 billion 1981 debt rescheduling agreement.

Ambrosiano Holding parley set

LUXEMBOURG, Aug. 7 (R) — The new board of Banco Ambrosiano Holding (Luxembourg) appointed is expected to hold its first meeting here next week to examine the state of the company and how to deal with its large debts, Albert Schiltz, one of the three commissioners appointed to oversee the firm, said.

Schiltz said that in addition to the loans on which it has been declared in default, Ambrosiano Holding has also given guarantees on credits by banks to its overseas subsidiaries.

Schiltz said he could not specify the exact amount of these guarantees. According to the balance sheet for the year ended June 30 last year, the bank's guarantee position totalled 589 million Swiss francs, but no further details were given in the published accounts.

Bankers in Luxembourg said that in spite of the high overall volume of funds involved in the outstanding loans to Ambrosiano Holding itself, they believed the financial

Wall Street

Interest fall fails to spur mart

NEW YORK, Aug. 7 (AP) — Declining interest rates have proved to be no cure for the woes of the U.S. stock market.

Interest rates have been dropping steadily of late, spurred by two half-point reductions in the Federal Reserve discount rate.

Rates on three-month treasury bills, which had been as high as 13 percent in late June, got as low as 9 1/2 percent this past week.

But any investor, who expected lower rates to be immediately translated into higher stock prices, has been disappointed. The stock market wound up the past week at its lowest level in more than two years.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials dropped 24.26 to 784.34. That left the average along with most other market indicators, at its lowest point since the spring of 1980. The broader New York Stock Exchange composite index, representing all the more than 1,500 common stocks listed on the Big Board, fell 0.82 to 59.69.

Volume on the NYSE averaged 54.2 million shares, against 46.45 million the week before. At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index was down 4,000 to 244.99.

The stock market's behavior has been particularly troubling to economic experts mind-

ful of the tradition that business recoveries are preceded by rally of stock prices.

The decline of the market over the past three months strongly suggests that in the collective vision of the nation's stock traders, there is no such recovery yet in sight. The most recent economic statistics, such as Friday's report of an increase in the unemployment rate to 9.8 percent seems only to reinforce their doubts.

Even observers who believe the worst of the economic slide is past have trouble mustering much optimism. "While we feel an economic trough has been reached, we are not envisioning a robust recovery," said Jack Lavery, economist at Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, in his weekly assessment of the outlook.

British Gas to sell stakes in N. Sea oil

LONDON, Aug. 7 (R) — The British government Friday night ordered the state-owned British Gas Corporation to sell off its stake in six North Sea oilfields.

The unexpected step, announced by the energy department, was taken under a law passed in June. The Conservative government is committed to selling nationalized concerns to private industry and has already decided to dispose of a majority share in the British National Oil Corporation's North Sea oil business.

The labor opposition, which opposed that move, is expected to challenge the government's latest step.

The oilfield holdings of British Gas, the nation's major gas supplier to industry and domestic consumers, are worth between \$300 and 500 million sterling (\$525 to \$875). The energy department's aim is to complete disposal next year, although it has not yet decided whether this will take the form of offers of shares or a simple sale of assets to oil companies, officials said.

Gulf Oil drops merger move

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 7 (R) — Gulf Oil Corporation withdrew its \$4.8 billion takeover offer for Cities Service Company, another big oil concern, because of opposition from the U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to the merger on anti-trust grounds.

Gulf, in a statement released at its corporate headquarters here, said the FTC had laid down conditions for the proposed takeover that were unacceptable to the company. The company said it had held extensive negotiations with the FTC over the past two weeks in an unsuccessful attempt to resolve the agency's anti-trust objections.

Gulf said the agency's demands would have involved substantial costs to Gulf and that this made the takeover financially unattractive.

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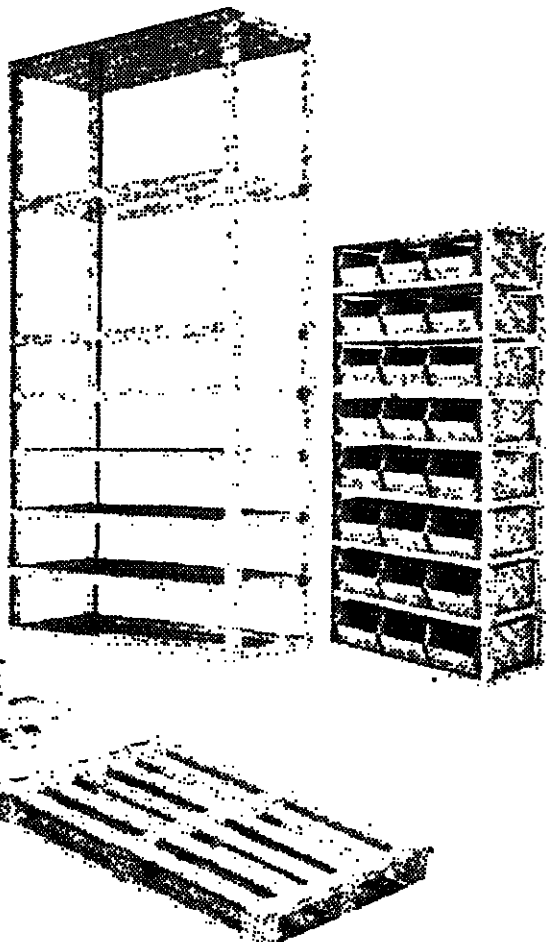


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As U.S. industry rejects

EEC steel deal faces collapse

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (R) — A deal to limit European steel exports to the United States apparently foundered Friday on objections of U.S. steelmakers less than seven hours after it was unveiled.

The accord, announced by Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige and European Economic Community vice presidents Etienne Davignon and Wilhelm Haferkamp, was struck down late in the day by U.S. Steel Corporation and the American specialty steel industry.

Baldrige called the U.S. steel reaction unfortunate. But U.S. Steel Chairman David Roderick said: "We believe the negotiated settlement is neither fair nor equitable and to accept it would be to condone a continuation of massive subsidies by European governments of their steel industry."

Earlier, a trade group representing the

U.S. specialty steel industry called the deal totally unacceptable. Under the agreement, European exports of nine types of carbon steel and two of specialty or stainless steel were to be limited to a fixed share of the U.S. market in exchange for the withdrawal by U.S. steelmakers of charges of unfair trading involving the 11 products.

Roderick asked the governments to continue their talks in search of an alternative solution. But earlier in the day, European officials said the proposed deal was the best they could do and would not be renegotiated.

"What we have already agreed is painful and difficult enough," one official told reporters. "The apparent breakdown of the settlement means the Commerce Department will have to go ahead with its investigation of unfair trade suits filed by American industry."

In a preliminary ruling June 11, the department said carbon steel produced in Belgium, Britain, France, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and West Germany had been illegally subsidized. A final ruling on those cases is due by Tuesday. If the initial finding is upheld and a separate inquiry finds the subsidies have damaged American indus-

try, permanent penalty duties will be levied against the subsidized products.

The department is also set to rule by Tuesday on separate charges that the European Community nations are guilty of dumping steel on the American market. Dumping occurs when products are sold at a price below the cost of production.

In Brussels, EEC responded sharply Saturday to U.S. industry's rejection of the accord.

In a coldly worded statement, the European Community's chief negotiator Etienne Davignon said that he considered the agreement still stood. "The U.S. authorities have not informed the European Commission of any change in their position," he said.

President Reagan himself Friday pronounced the accord equitable to both sides, and his administration undertook to recommend acceptance of it to the American steel industry.

However, the U.S. industry's condemnation appeared to torpedo months of diplomatic efforts to avoid trade war between the U.S. and the EEC.

1,000 laid off by U.S. firm

SANTA CLARA, California, Aug. 7 (R) — National Semiconductor Corporation, the world's second biggest manufacturer of electronic integrated circuits, announced the lay-off of 1,000 employees, one-tenth of its U.S. work force.

The lay-off was regarded by business analysts as another sign harder times are coming to Silicon Valley, the 20-mile (32 km) industrial corridor south of San Francisco that forms the heart of the U.S. computer industry.

Profits of a number of U.S. semiconductor firms, which make the software parts for computers and other electronic instruments, have slumped during the past six months.

Texas Instruments Corporation in Dallas, the world's biggest semiconductor maker, has dismissed 4,000 employees this year because of the recession.

National Semiconductor Corporation, which has 10,000 employees in the United States and 34,000 worldwide, said the lay-offs were needed to reduce costs and help improve the company's financial situation.

Poland studies plan

WARSAW, Aug. 7 (AFP) — The Polish government has been studying a three-year economic recovery plan allowing for a return to "pre-crisis levels" of industrial and agricultural production by 1985, the press has reported here. The plan includes annual growth rates of 3.9 percent for national revenue between 1983 and 1985, 3.8 percent for industrial output and 3.2 percent for farm output. It puts an emphasis on better housing, less dependence on imported foods and a better way of life for the country's poorest people.

Price dip upsets U.S. farmers

CHICAGO, Aug. 7 (R) — This summer looks like producing a bumper grain crop in the United States, but many Midwestern farmers will not feel like celebrating.

The land is yielding near record crops of wheat, corn and other grains but overall farm income, by some projections, will be the worst since the Great Depression of the 1930's.

Grain prices have been depressed by heavy U.S. production and the worldwide buildup of stocks, including stores held by European Common Market nations, and by slack demand in the wake of the global recession.

Not all U.S. farmers will suffer. The very bounty that has depressed grain prices has made it cheap to feed cattle. Livestock production has become a money maker, according to Terry Francel, an economist with Continental Illinois Bank.

But farms cannot switch overnight from one enterprise to another. The expertise is slow to acquire and high interest rates have deterred farmers from borrowing the money to go into other lines of production. Those who raise only wheat have been especially hard hit.

Soviet use of forced labor raises eyebrows

MOSCOW, Aug. 7 (AFP) — The question of political prisoners being used to help build the trans-Siberian pipeline to Western Europe is beginning to cause talk here, even though Soviet authorities refuse to comment on the matter.

An unofficial source said: "There will not be a Soviet denial. These rumors are designed to compromise the pipeline project, follow-

ing the failure of the American embargo." The French government has asked its ambassador in Moscow to investigate claims on the role of political prisoners in building the pipeline, and other embassies have been showing concern.

Earlier this week, the West German-based International Society for Human Rights claimed that several thousand political prisoners, including women and elderly men, were being forced to work on the pipeline project.

Diplomatic sources said that in a closed society such as the Soviet Union on the spot investigation was impossible. Travel is subject to official authorization, the Siberian regions concerned are off limits to foreigners and inquiries among the population are practically impossible.

Soviet authorities acknowledge that work camps exist, classed into "simple" and "severe" categories. Dissidents say political militants are kept in these camps, which are in fact "reservoirs of cheap manual labor."

Airline pays high price for seat denial

MANILA, Aug. 7 (R) — A Manila court Friday ordered Hong Kong-based Cathay Pacific Airlines to pay more than two million pesos (\$250,000) in damages to two Filipinos for denying them seats on a flight though they held confirmed bookings, the Philippine News Agency (PNA) reported.

Former Manila customs collector Ernesto Dayot and a companion had alleged that Cathay Pacific did not allow them to board a flight from Hong Kong to Manila four years ago and gave their seats to passengers while bookings were not confirmed. They claimed damages saying the incident had caused them trouble, mental anguish and humiliation.

BRIEFS

KARACHI, (AP) — A four-member Communist Chinese civil aviation and airline delegation held talks with Pakistan International Airline's managing director M. Salim here, PIA officials said. The delegation, led by Chinese civil aviation deputy director Liu Ling, discussed with Salim ways of cooperation between airlines of the two countries, the officials said.

HANOI, (AFP) — Vietnam, in line with a policy of "collectivizing" a major part of the economy, has decided to set up a fishing industry cooperative, the Communist Party daily *Nhan Dan* has said. The decision, made in March by the Vietnamese cabinet, puts fishing — which is practiced along 3,000 km (1,860 miles) of Vietnamese coast — in the hands of the government. *Nhan Dan* described the cooperative as "an enterprise" of "Socialist character" created by workers but answering to the state.

MAPUTO, (AFP) — Mozambique will get cheap Libyan oil and military aid under agreements signed in Tripoli this week by visiting Mozambican President Samora Machel, the official Mozambican News Agency has said. Until the outbreak of the Gulf war, Iraq sold Mozambique oil at a special "solidarity" price. The five agreements signed in Tripoli, details of which were hitherto undisclosed, spelled out possible ties for increased trade, the agency said.

ZURICH, (R) — The Swiss consumer price index rose an annual 6.0 percent in July after a 6.2 percent year-on-year rise in June, the federal office for industry, trade and labor said.

Turkey to set brokerage firms in order

ANKARA, Aug. 7 (R) — Turkish authorities have assumed sweeping powers to tackle a crisis in the country's brokerage houses after the largest of them collapsed because of soaring interest rates.

The military-appointed council of ministers gave the finance ministry power to dissolve, suspend or merge brokerage houses and fix their interest rates.

The brokerage firms, which number about a dozen, sell bonds and bank certificates of deposit in the absence of an established capital and money market in Turkey.

Spiralling interest rates, which have hit 60 percent a year for depositors, caused the crash in June of the biggest house, Kastelli incorporated. The collapse sent other brokers reeling as depositors withdrew their money and new investors stayed away. One has already sought government help.

AEG signs tie-up deal with U.S. firm

FRANKFURT, Aug. 7 (AFP) — The ailing West German electronic giant AEG-Telefunken has signed a deal with the U.S. group United Technologies Corp. (UTC) for the creation of a jointly-owned affiliate making electronic parts.

Announcing the accord here, AEG said the new firm, to be called Telefunken Bauelemente GmbH (TBG), would take over all production of semi-conductors, solar cells and other electronic parts.

AEG-Telefunken's turnover in the production of the parts last year was (\$148 million).

New CEA chief named

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (R) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan has named conservative economist Martin Feldstein, 42, as the new chairman of his Council of Economic Advisers (CEA).

He said he would nominate him as a member of the council and on confirmation by the Senate would designate him to succeed Murray Weidenbaum, who last month announced his resignation from the post.

Council's chairman is a main spokesman for the administration on economic policies and closely monitors the economic situation.

The dissident groups, despite being severely weakened by a wave of repression over the past few years, monitor the fate of their militants in the various camps.

They were the ones who alerted the International Society for Human Rights to the pipeline affair.

The dissidents said they had witnesses to back up their accusations. Western economic experts here said the Soviet Union was running into serious labor problems in Siberia because the pipeline was supposed to be laid rapidly in a particularly severe climate.

The society said the underfed forced-labor contingent was exposed to the bitterly cold Siberian weather and was forced to perform dangerous tasks. It published a list of some of the prisoners, which included psychiatrist Semyon Gultzman and Ukrainian writer Zinoviy Kravitski.

Foreign journalists are unable to confirm or deny the human rights society's claims.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 6:30 p.m. Saturday

Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	9.20
Bangladesh Taka	15.85
Belgian Franc (1,000)	72.50
Canadian Dollar	275.50
Deutsche Mark (100)	137.20
Dutch Guilder (100)	125.25
Egyptian Pound	3.30
French Franc (100)	95.50
French Franc (1,000)	49.75
Greek Drachma (1,000)	49.60
Indian Rupee (100)	35.70
Iranian Rial (100)	5.75
Israeli Lira (10,000)	25.00
Japanese Yen (1,000)	13.30
Jordanian Dinar	9.77
Kuwait Dinar	11.95
Lebanese Lira (100)	68.50
Moroccan Dirham (100)	28.05
Pakistan Rupee (100)	40.95
Philippines Peso (100)	5.95
Pound Sterling	94.50
Qatari Riyal (100)	94.50
Singapore Dollar (100)	159.15
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	30.55
Swiss Franc (100)	161.25
Syrian Lira (100)	59.00
Taiwan Dollar (1,000)	59.95
U.S. Dollar	3.45
Yemeni Rial (100)	75.25

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Financial Roundup

Dollar scales new heights

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Aug. 7 — The dollar closed on an extremely strong note on the New York Friday night exchanges, with the British pound and other currencies registering large falls. An apparent change of sentiment about the direction of U.S. interest rates has brought about this dramatic shift in the dollar's value.

Eurodollar deposit rates rose between 1/4 and as much as 1/2 percent in the longer periods, but the short tenors remained weak with the one-month quoted at 11 1/2 - 11 3/4 percent compared with the one-year rate of 13 1/2 - 13 3/4 percent. Federal Reserve "Fed fund" prime lending rates rose to 11 1/2 percent in New York but closed the week at 10 3/4 percent levels with the "Fed" not attempting to drain any more reserves out of the banking system. It was this action in the middle of last week that sparked the recent change of heart in the money markets, but Friday night weekly U.S. money supply figures also boosted the dollar. Instead of a \$1-2 billion fall in the weekly M1 series, the money supply rose by \$0.9 billion.

In the bullion markets, gold and silver prices shed more gains but still closed the week on a higher note compared with the previous Friday closings. Gold prices closed at \$343.50 an ounce after trading between \$345 to \$346 earlier in Europe. Silver prices remained steadier and closed at \$6.83 an ounce.

The release of the latest U.S. unemployment figures — the highest since 1941, and now standing at 9.8 percent did not detract the onward march of the dollar on the European and American Friday bourses.

The German mark fell to a new one-year low of 2.5130 on renewed fears that the German Bundesbank will be cutting the German discount rate next week. Similar interest rate considerations drove the British pound to a 5 1/2 year low with sterling closing the week at 1.7050 compared with a high of 1.7500 last Tuesday. The story was repeated with the other currencies, with yen closing at 261.00 (from 2.5500 last week) and the French franc at 6.9890 levels. Even the relatively stable Swiss franc gave way to the dollar to close 300 points lower at 2.1460 on Friday.

In the local markets, the week opened on Saturday with rial deposit rates firming in almost all tenors. The rises were smallest in the shorter periods with local dealers still reporting rial liquidity injections and caution in dealing in the short dates. The week-fixed was quoted at 10 - 11 percent for interbank dealing, but few transactions actually took place at that level — the price ranging around 9 1/2 percent. The one-month JIBOR was slightly firmer at 10 1/4 - 10 1/2 percent but the one-year rate rose by 1/2 percent to trade at 12 1/2 - 13 1/2 percent. In the exchanges, spot rial dollar rates remained at a cautious 3.4400-05 all day with few transactions reported.

EEC to resume textile talks

BRUSSELS, Aug. 7 (AFP) — Difficult talks on textiles between the European Economic Community and seven countries in Southeast Asia will be resumed in September.

The Asian side will include Hong Kong, Korea and Macao, and the talks are likely to determine whether the EEC remains in the multilateral agreement, community sources said here.

The EEC's negotiator, Horst Krenzler, recalled forcefully that if the community cannot reach satisfactory bilateral agreements, it will have to consider pulling out of the arrangement under which Hong Kong, Korea and Macao, together with Taiwan, account for 40 percent of textile imports into the EEC.

The first round of talks with these suppliers ended in adjournment with disagreements unresolved. The EEC's administrative commission said it received no revised instructions for the talks in September, adding that if bilateral agreements were not reached, it would have to apply unilateral measures from Jan. 1.

The sources said that such measures would be far less favorable to the exporters than the proposals tabled for discussion.

The EEC is asking major exporters a 12 percent cut in quotas for four products — trousers, T-shirts, pullovers and blouses.

Hong Kong's Commerce Commissioner

Lawrence Mills has strongly challenged such outbursts arguing in June that they ran counter to the multilateral arrangement.

Hong Kong is the Community's biggest supplier of textiles, having captured 35 percent of the trousers market, 25 percent for blouses and shirts, and 20 percent for synthetic fabrics.

Korea has also rejected quota cuts while Macao intends to maintain its exports in 1982 while saying it is ready to make concessions.

Farming blossoms in Ras Al Khaimah

ABU DHABI, Aug. 7 (WAM) — The total vegetable farmland in Ras Al Khaimah has increased from 9,459 dunams last year to 14,650 dunams this summer, according to a report issued by the northern agricultural region of the UAE, summarizing its activities for the first six months of the year.

Citing from the report the UAE newspaper *Gulf News* said there was an increase of 56 new farms planted mainly with vegetables. Ten melon farms were allocated for extension visits and experimental work covering irrigation, fertilizer and insecticides.

Farmers took part in experiments to gain farm expertise and many farmers handed over applications to the RAK office of the ministry of agriculture, permitting their farms to be used for next season's experiments.

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"	Asphalting and lighting a number of streets in Qa'aa'e village;	—	1,500	8.8.1982
"	Asphalting and lighting a number of streets at Al-Rawda village;	—	1,500	8.8.1982

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Berth	Name of Vessel	Agent	Type of Cargo	Arrival
RoRo	Susan "A"	Kanoo	Contra/Trie/Gen.	5.8.82
3	Gernar	S.S.M.S.C.	Rice/Water/Sorg/Gen.	2.8.82
4	Dugi Otak	Algeziyah	Contra/Rice/Gen.	5.8.82
7	Al Yamamah	Kanoo	Contra/Steel	3.8.82
8	Transworld Sailor	Star	Durra	1.8.82
9	Paricia "S"	El Hawi	Gen./Contra.	4.8.82
10	Char Lo	Abdulla	Gen./Contra	4.8.82
11	Dongola	A.E.T.	F.MI/Sug/Gen./Stl	2.8.82
12	Almar	Shobokshi	Stl/Tim/Gen./Ply	1.8.82
13	Saxtra	Abdallah	Contra/Steel/Gen.	28.7.82
14	Ming Autumn	Gulf	Timber/Fluting	6.8.82
15	Achilles	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	25.7.82
20	Golden Riyadh	El Hawi	Gen./Pee/Contra.	5.8.82
22	Sri Wuaya	Ori	Contra/Gen.	6.8.82
23	Anangel Harmony	Kanoo	Stl/Lumber	2.8.82
29	Pontokratis	S.S.M.S.C.	Lumber	4.8.82
30	Stirling Universal	Star	Fruit	1.8.82
31	Donam Frontier	Kanoo	Stl/Ply/Gen.	31.7.82
32	Golden Saudi	El Hawi	Contra/Stl/Tim/Cd	2.8.82
33	Javelin	Abdulla	Gen./Steel/Contra.	31.7.82
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1	Baltic Freaser	Barber	Frozen Chickens	6.8.82
3	Wakashige Maru	Kanoo	General	7.8.82
5	Halla Pride	Gulf	General	3.8.82
7	Han Cheong	OCE	General	2.8.82
8	Marlene Dancoast	Kanoo	General	6.8.82
11	Pulse Satam	Gosaibi	Plywood	6.8.82
12	Dong Suh	UEP	Steel Products	6.8.82
14	Cadmus	Ori	Steel	5.8.82
15	Apostolos-K	Kanoo	General	4.8.82
16	Kesaya Maru	Gulf	Steel Bars	6.8.82
17	Ion Bassam	Kanoo	General	4.8.82
18	Baltik	Kanoo	Wood/Gen.	5.8.82
19	Fort Nanimio	Barber	Lumber	6.8.82
20	Irenas Logic	Alsaada	Steel	4.8.82
21	Zhang Yang	Ori	General	5.8.82
22	Eastern Bride	UEP	Steel Products	6.8.82
25	Costa Ligure	Gosaibi	Contra/RoRo	6.8.82
28	Lady of Lorne	Saite	Rice	17.7.82
29	Golden Venture	Kanoo	Bauxite	31.7.82
30	Glory	Alsaada	Gen./Rice	6.8.82

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As their girls shatter own world mark

East Germany strikes it rich

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Aug. 7 (R) — East Germany gleaned medals from all the events they entered at the World Swimming Championships Friday night, crowning three gold, a silver and a bronze with a world record in the women's 4 x 100 meters medley relay.

The only final Friday without an East German on the medals rostrum was the men's 200 meters butterfly, in which they did not compete. In that event, Michael Gross of West Germany, who unexpectedly set a world record in Sunday's 200 meters freestyle, astonished himself even more by taking the gold.

The East German girls' medley record of four minutes, 05.88 seconds beat their own mark of 4:06.67, established during the Moscow Olympics in 1980.

Nineteen-year-old Petra Schneider had the most exhausting evening, returning to the water for the 800 meters freestyle after setting a new World Championships record in

Soviets better placed to grab water polo gold

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Aug. 7 (R) — The Soviet Union got into Saturday's final round of the World Water Polo Championships needing only a draw against Hungary to take a deserved gold medal.

The Soviet side have looked more and more like champions as the tournament proceeded, overcoming one powerful rival after another. In their penultimate match Friday, they beat the Netherlands 7-5, a fairly comfortable margin by the tight standards of the last few days, while Hungary could only draw 7-7 against West Germany.

The Soviet Union has one-point lead over Olympic Champions Hungary, who must win to take the gold. West Germany have a similar advantage over the Netherlands in the battle for bronze, and if Hungary lose could even manage the silver.

Hungary's task could easily have been put beyond their reach, but for a dramatic last minute escape. With the final seconds ticking away and the score a 7-7, West Germany's Rainer Osselmann suddenly found himself faced with an almost-empty goalmouth. But his shot thundered against the cross-bar and, as Osselmann hung his head in frustration, the final buzzer sounded, keeping Hungary in the title-race.

In the second final round group, the battle for a place in the 1984 Olympics was virtually decided when Yugoslavia won a narrow 7-6 victory over Spain. The top six teams in the World Championships automatically qualify for Los Angeles, with the host United States included as well.

Spain's defeat almost certainly puts them in eighth place, leaving Yugoslavia, Cuba and the four top group teams holding the Olympic passports the other five Olympic places are decided by qualifying competitions.

In Friday's other Group Two match, Cuba beat the United States 9-7 and look strong favorites to win fifth place. It was a tough match marred by fouls. U.S. captain John Stevenson was hit in the face in the third period, but later committed his third foul himself and was ejected.

Freymond triumphs

ANDERSTORP, Sweden Aug. 7 (AP) — Switzerland's Roland Freymond, a distant third in the overall standings, edged title-contender Anton Mang of West Germany and Jean-Francois Balde of France in a thrilling finish Saturday to win the 250 cc event at the Swedish Motorcycling Grand Prix.

Only 4.35 seconds separated the top three finishers. Freymond, riding a MBA bike, won the 25-lap race in 43:25.72 for an average speed of 138.6 kph on the twisting Scania-Raceway track.

Mang, aboard a Kawasaki, was runnerup 3.01 seconds behind and closed the gap to overall leader Jean-Louis Tournadre of France.

The 500 and 250 cc events as well as the sidcar division are all scheduled for Sunday at this south Swedish city.

the 200 meters individual medley. The bronze medal was snatched from her grasp by teammate Carmela Schmidt. The gold was a certainty: from the outset, with Kim Linehan of the United States, coming fresh to her only event of the championships, half a length ahead of the field for most of the race.

Dirk Richter of East Germany wrestled the 100 meters backstroke gold from Rick Carey

Medals tally

	G	S	B
United States	11	9	9
East Germany	10	9	4
Canada	3	3	1
Soviet Union	2	1	1
West Germany	2	6	4
Netherlands	1	1	2
Brazil	1	0	0
Britain	0	1	0
Hungary	0	1	0

of the United States by just nine-hundredths of a second, finishing in the world championship record time of 55.95 seconds and beating his own European record of 56.21. "My touch lost it for me, Carey said later. "I went in with my fingertips, but ended up missing the touch and hitting the pad with my palm."

East Germany's phenomenal Ute Geweniger managed only a silver in the 200 meters individual medley, following Schneider to the line by just over half a second. She had expected to win the event with a time breaking her own world record.

In the 4 x 100 relay world record effort, Kristin Otto swam the backstroke leg. Ute Geweniger the breaststroke, Ines Geissler the butterfly and Birgit Meineke the freestyle. The U.S. team of Sue Walsh, Kim Rhodengough, Mary Meagher and Jill Sterkel was second in 4:08.12 and the Soviet Union was third in 4:12.36.

In the diving event, defending champion

Greg Louganis looked set to add another gold medal to his collection after handsomely winning the elimination round of the 10-meter platform.

The 22-year-old Californian drew away from his rivals on the last three of his 10 dives to finish well ahead with 621.63 points. The Soviet Union's Vladimir Aleinik, who won the bronze medal at the last championships in 1978, qualified in second place with 590.37 points and the East German Thomas Kneths in third with 578.55.

Twelve of the 32 starters, including 1978 silver medalist Falc Hoffman of East Germany, qualified for the final, in which they start from scratch again.

Louganis gave a dazzling display in winning the other diving section, the three-meter springboard, last Monday and his performance was described on all sides as one of the greatest ever seen. But his platform skills, though brilliant, were not quite of the same standard. "He's a better springboard diver than a platform diver," trainer Ron O'Brien said.

Louganis as usual kept his more difficult and higher-marked combinations until the end and the lead changed hands several times during the afternoon.

Christopher Snode of Britain held the lead for one round as did Louganis' compatriot Bruce Kimball, from Michigan. Kimball's very presence in the competition is an achievement after he was badly injured in a near-fatal car crash last October.

Vyacheslav Troski of the Soviet Union, China's Li Kongzhong and Kimball were all close together behind the leaders and the final promise to be a tough battle. The United States won both women's diving gold, with Wendy Wyland taking the platform and Megan Neyer the springboard.



HAPPY GO LUCKY: Bavarian youths of Velden, West Germany, recently held a novel and humorous race in a bid to raise money for charity. The happy-go-lucky youths are a picture of merriment as they vie in their self-constructed vehicles, drawn by goats, around the meadows of their village

Coe lashes out at British Board

LONDON, Aug. 7 (AFP) — Britain's Olympic champion, Sebastian Coe slammed Britain's athletics chiefs at Crystal Palace Saturday after being told that his place in the European championship team in Athens next month was in jeopardy.

He is a member of the British Athletics Board "elite squad" and thought this guaranteed him a place in the team as long as he reached the qualifying time by the 26th of July.

However, Bill Evans, the British Board chairman, made it clear that Coe was expected to appear at a minimum of two Board meetings this season to ensure himself of a place in Greece. Evans said, "The credibility of British athletics is at stake. We have a responsibility to the sponsors, television and other athletes."

He admitted that the selectors, who meet Sunday to pick Britain's team for the European championships, face a very difficult

problem. Coe who has been out of action for two months with a stress fracture of the leg, ran a specially arranged race in Nottingham behind closed doors last Wednesday and this appears to have upset many Board members.

Coe commented: "I have a letter from Dr. Evans stating that I would be selected for the European if I could show the certain level of fitness and that is all I was trying to do in Nottingham. The race was arranged by national director of coaching Frank Dick but it seems that he has no say on the Board."

"Evans said to me that if I did not run at Crystal Palace Saturday there was no way I could be guaranteed a place," added Coe.

As a member of the elite squad, Coe was expected to run two out of four Board meetings this season. He agreed to run in the early season match against East Germany but then had to pull out through injury. Since then, he has had no opportunity to fulfil his commitment.



Pironi...hospitalized

German Grand Prix

Lauda forced to pull out

HOCKENHEIM, West Germany, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — The Renaults of Frenchmen Alain Prost and Rene Arnoux took the front row for the German Grand Prix Saturday after world championship leader Didier Pironi was severely injured.

The constant rain, which left the track almost awash at times, made Saturday's final practice laps almost 20 seconds slower than those clocked Friday. Pironi's absence allowed Swiss driver Marc Surer, who was not among the 26 qualifiers for the race, to gain a place on the back of the grid in his Arrows.

The organizers said that former world champion Niki Lauda of Austria, the eighth fastest, has withdrawn because of bruised knuckles sustained when he spun off into the trackside fence in his McLaren Friday. The

Pironi gravely injured in Hockenheim crash

HOCKENHEIM, West Germany, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — An accident Saturday which could end Frenchman Didier Pironi's racing career cast a shadow over the West German Grand Prix Formula One Motor race here.

Pironi, who leads the world championship standings and would have had pole position on the starting grid, was flown to hospital with compound fractures of both thighs and a broken left arm, the race organizers said. His Ferrari, which Friday posted the fastest lap, ran into the rear wheel of fellow-Frenchman Alain Prost's Renault in pelting rain, climbed into the air and flipped over three times to finish with its front completely crushed.

Rescue workers took 30 minutes to cut Pironi free from the wreck and a helicopter immediately flew him to Heidelberg's Uni-

versity Clinic where he underwent surgery. Doctors there said they could not say whether it would be possible to reset the splintered thighs perfectly. The accident gave pole position to Porost, second fastest Friday, who escaped with nothing worse than a shock.

The accident, on the curve before the home straight, occurred in rain so heavy that the track was almost awash. Marshals at the scene said Prost appeared to slow severely and Pironi's Ferrari climbed up the Renault's right rear wheel. Prost, whose French turbo managed to roll as far as the stands fronting the finishing stretch, was uninjured.

It was the second serious accident for the Ferrari team this season. Canadian driver Gilles Villeneuve was killed on May 8 in Zolder after a collision during final practice for the Belgian Grand Prix. West German driver Jochen Mass, who was involved in the Zolder collision, himself suffered broken ribs and a bruised spine in a crash two weeks ago in the French Grand Prix at Le Castellet. He had hoped to compete in Hockenheim in his march, but withdrew Friday after discovering that the pain from injuries was still too severe.

Pironi's first Formula One race was with the British Tyrrell team but his first Grand Prix win was at Zolder, Belgium in 1980 for Ligier Ford. He joined Ferrari last year, but despite picking up a few championship points here and there victory eluded him.

Success returned when he won the San Marino Grand Prix in April this year and he followed it up with a second place in Monaco. He was reminded of the danger which constantly surrounds racing drivers, when formula one newcomer Riccardo Pateni died after crashing an Osella into his stalled Ferrari at the start of the Montreal Grand Prix in June.

He managed to retain his nerve and went on to win the Dutch Grand Prix, taking himself to one point from John Watson in the championship standings. Pironi rose to the head of the standings with a second place in the British event and consolidated his lead by finishing third in the French race a fortnight ago.

He can only win the championship now if his main rivals fail to score points in the five remaining Grand Prix. John Watson is now the effective leader.

Panamanian Dr. Rafael Grajales-Robles, a personal physician for several drivers, said after visiting the hospital that doctors were "working to save Pironi's right leg, which is the more severely injured." Pironi's life was not in danger, he said.

Talbot-Ligier team manager Jean-Pierre Jabouille, who visited Pironi in hospital, said the driver's right foot and lower leg were very severely injured.

Jabouille, who suffered two badly broken legs that ended his driving career in an accident in Canada two years ago, said he did not think Pironi would ever race again. He said doctors were concentrating on trying to avoid amputation.

A first official medical report from the hospital said that Pironi had been in the operating room for four and a half hours. Doctors were trying to reduce the serious fracture which may require his right foot to be amputated.

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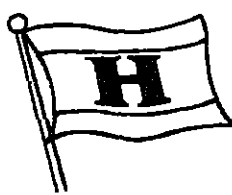
NEW YORK, (AP) — World soccer authorities will be evaluating the United States' ability to host the 1986 World Cup during Saturday's sold-out FIFA All-Star match at the Giants Stadium, a top ranking official said. Meanwhile, but for English captain Kevin Keegan all the stars were in New York.

DERBY, (AFP) — Derby County striker, John Clayton, is to sign for the Hong Kong club, Bulova, this weekend following the cancellation of his contract by mutual consent. The 21-year-old Clayton, who has made 27 first team appearances for Derby, had a year of his contract still to run, but decided to follow midfielder, Barry Powell, to Bulova rather than remain at the baseball ground.

POERTSVACH, Austria, (AFP) — Switzerland will meet Ireland in the final of the European Zone of the Davis Cup men's tennis competition after going into an unbeatable 3-0 lead over Austria here Sunday.



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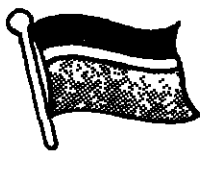


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Floyd keeps cool amid torturous heat to hold advantage

TULSA, Oklahoma, Aug. 7 (AFP) — Veteran Ray Floyd kept a cool head to hold on to the lead at the halfway stage of the United States PGA Championships Golf Tournament here Friday.

Floyd, who celebrates his 40th birthday next month, scored a second round one-under-par 69 as the temperature topped 100 degrees on the 6,862-yard Southern Hills Country Club course.

And with a first-round seven-under-par **Aussies, India to keep away from World Golf**

NEW DELHI, Aug. 7 (AFP) — India is to boycott the World Amateur Golf Championships in Switzerland next month because of the participation of South Africa, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported.

The agency quoted a foreign ministry spokesman who ended speculation that India would be playing in the Eisenhower Cup at the tournament.

Canada and Australia, anxious to avert a possible boycott by African countries of the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane, have both already announced they will not be taking part.

Colin Phillips, secretary of the Australian Golfing Union, said in Melbourne that the decision was taken after consultations with the department of foreign affairs. He said the Australian government's stated opposition to sporting contacts with South Africa was taken firmly into account. "It was a political decision and I won't say any more," he added.

It will be the first time that Australia has not been represented at the championships, which are held every two years, since their inauguration.

Meanwhile, New Zealand Golfing Association announced in Wellington that they planned to defy their government and take part in the tournament — because they hope to host the tournament themselves in 1984.

The decision will make the championship the first major contact between New Zealand and South African sportsmen since the controversial 1981 Springbok rugby tour which ended in New Zealand last September.

The New Zealand anti-apartheid movement HART (Halt All Racist Tours) immediately asked to meet with the golf association to discuss the decision.

Top cricketers for charity tie

LONDON, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — Sir Gary Sobers, cricket's greatest all-rounder and Ian Botham, his heir apparent, come face to face at the Oval next month.

Sobers leads a Barbadian Eleven against Clive Lloyd's Rest of the World side, which will include Botham, in a One-day charity match. A whole host of past and present Test stars will be taking part.

In Sobers' side are his former West Indian fast bowling colleagues, Wesley Hall and Charlie Griffiths, along with current-day opener Gordon Greenidge (Hampshire) and Sylvester Clarke (Surrey), who play in England.

Clive Lloyd, meanwhile, calls upon the services of Vivian Richards, Mike Gatting and Pakistan captain, Imran Khan, in a 40-over match organized jointly by the Tourist Board and Travel Trade Gazette.

Proceedings of the match will be shared equally between County Cricket Youth IFCI and the Barbadian Cricket Association, who

63, which equalled the course record, Floyd's 36-hole total stands at 132, two strokes clear of his closest rival, American Bob Gilder. Gilder, like Floyd, has won twice on the PGA tour this year, and on Friday shot a second round 68, including six birdies, in the heat and haze of Tulsa to keep himself well in fight of a third victory.

Greg Norman, the long-hitting Australian, and Jim Simons were one shot behind Gilder on 135, Norman going round in 69, and Simons 67 in the second round. But Norman was disappointed with his performance, saying: "I had a great chance to move up on Ray, but never made enough putts to get close."

But Simons, whose round included a spectacular 60-foot sand shot straight to the hole, seemed grateful just to survive the day. "I was just trying to finish," he said breathlessly. "It seemed more a struggle with the heat standing in the 18th fairway, I felt my legs starting to give way on me."

Two shots adrift of Norman and Simons, with 137, are Jay Haas of the United States, and Britain's 25-year-old Nick Faldo, a three-time winner of the British PGA Championships. Faldo hit a par 70 in the second round, while Haas shot into contention with 66.

Spain's Severiano Ballesteros, who hit a 68, moved back into contention and has a two-round total of 139, as has Australia's David Graham, who faded on the second round with a one-over-par 71.

But for Tom Watson, the U.S. and British Open champion, the tournament is once again providing a jinx. It is the one major title he has never won, and after today's 69, Watson found himself one over par on 141, while the great Jack Nicklaus was in even greater trouble.

Nicklaus could only match par, with a 70 in the second round, to add to his first round of 74, and is now 12 strokes behind Floyd, with 144. Masahiro Kuramoto of Japan scored a par 70, and his compatriot Isao Aoki had a disastrous 75.

Meanwhile, veteran Sandra Palmer fired a 5-under-par 67 for a 36-hole total of 141 and withstood a series of Friday afternoon challenges for a share of a four-way tie for the lead Saturday in the \$175,000 LPGA Boston Five Classic.

The other three in the four-way tie are Munfin Spencer Devlin, Jane Blalock, and Vivian Brownlee.

Joanne Carner, needing a 35th victory for automatic entry into the LPGA Hall of Fame, young Terri Moody and Jan Stephenson of Australia were tied one stroke off the pace at 142.

are organizing a youth tour to Britain next year.

Pakistan wins
Meanwhile, Mansoor Akhtar scored his second half-century of the match Friday as the Pakistan cricket team beat an English Minor Counties selection by seven wickets in a two-day game, at Slough.

Mansoor, who had hit 83 not out in the first innings, made 51 and helped Pakistan to score 154 for three wickets for a seven wicket victory.

The Pakistanis, after declaring at 140 for one and getting a first innings lead of 26, dismissed the Minor Counties for 179. Iqbal Qasim, the left-arm spinner, took four wickets for 36, while Wasim Raja returned with three for 36.

For the second time the top-scorer for the Minor Counties was opener Mike McEnvoy. McEnvoy followed up his blistering 36 in the first innings with a superb 61.



NARROW SHAVE: Casimir Pulaski, displays a 14-inch jaw imprint left on his surfboard by a 15 foot white shark while surfing one mile off Point Buchon in Montana de Oro State Park. The shark missed Pulaski's leg by a foot but had Pulaski and his fellow surfer Terry Schubert all tense.

Buckner slams Cubs ahead

NEW YORK, Aug. 7 (AP) — Bill Buckner's tie-breaking two-run homer in the sixth inning Friday powered the Chicago Cubs to a 4-2 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies.

Ryne Sandberg, who had three hits, singled to open the sixth, stole second and went to third on a ground out before Buckner unloaded his sixth homer off loser Dick Ruthven, 8-10.

Elsewhere in the National League, Jason Thompson, Mike Eastler and Johnny Ray drove in two runs each to support the six-hit pitching of Fanny Sarmiento as the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the New York Mets 7-3 in the first game of a two-night doubleheader.

In the second game, Ellis Valentine snapped

ped a seventh-inning tie with a two-run single and Randy Jones earned his 100th career-pitching victory as the Mets beat the Pirates 7-3.

Chris Speier's two-out single capped a two-run rally in the seventh inning to lift the Montreal Expos to a 5-3 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals. Rookie Eric Show hurled his first Major-League shutout and Luis Salazar drove in both runs with a homer and a single to lead the San Diego Padres to a 2-0 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

Los Angeles capitalized on 10th-inning errors by Atlanta first baseman Chris Chambliss and shortstop Rafael Ramirez and rallied for two runs to defeat the following Braves 5-4. Darrell Evans' pinch-hit, run-scoring single capped a three-run ninth inning rally as the San Francisco Giants climbed back from a 6-0 deficit to overtake the Houston Astros 7-6.

Washington hit two solo home runs and Hal McRae added another as the Royals downed the Baltimore Orioles 4-0 on a combined six-hitter by Don Hood and Dan Quisenberry to complete the sweep of the double-header.

Carlton Fisk belted a three-run homer and Jerry Koosman picked up his second victory over Boston in six days as the Chicago White Sox defeated the Red Sox 6-3. Lance Parrish hit a home run and Chet Lemon added a solo shot to back the four-hit pitching of Jack Morris to lead the Detroit Tigers to a 6-4 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays.

Cecil Cooper tied the ninth and homered the tie-breaking run in the 10th as the Milwaukee Brewers beat the Cleveland Indians.

Team owner Dave Ferrell said Stabler is not under contract, but added, "I wish he was." Ferrell said Rockets coach Lonnie Warwick wanted to discuss the matter with Stabler, but the team owner emphasized that the former NFL quarterback probably wouldn't want to play for the \$12 (SR41) a game that AFA players receive. Ferrell remarked, "The only way we could afford him was if he bought the team."

Meanwhile, all-pro left tackle Leon Gray remains the only Houston Oilers holdout for the 1982 season.

Because the 10-year veteran of the National Football League (NFL) refuses to report to training camp, Oilers General Manager Ladd Herzog is going to Gray's home in Boston. Herzog and Gray have both expressed optimism about the meeting. "We'll talk over a few things to see what we can work out," Gray said.

Gray was due to report to the Oilers training camp in San Angelo, Texas, a week ago, but remain a free agent because he wasn't willing to accept either contract proposal — one for one year, the other a multiyear deal — the Oilers gave him prior to the July 15 expiration of the NFL's collective bargaining agreement.

Because the agreement expired, teams are no longer allowed to negotiate individually with players or their agents, meaning Gray faces a take-it-or-leave-it situation.

The Oilers reportedly offered Gray a 100 percent raise over his 1982 salary, which was about \$150,000 (SR510,000). Gray's agent is rumored to be seeking as much as \$500,000 (SR1.7 million) for his client.

Because his agent won't be attending the Gray-Herzog meeting, Gray said he won't agree to anything without first consulting his counsel. Gray has missed 16 practices by Friday.

Although he said he doesn't miss the 105 degree (40 degree Celsius) heat, Gray said he would like to be familiar with the Oilers' 1982 changes in the playbook. He added that he would still like to play for the Oilers, but said he'd rather play for another team than go on further with the stalemate.

Khawaja cracks ton

YANBU, Aug. 7 — Abid Naeem Khawaja hit a splendid, unbeaten 108 to lead Parsons to a fluent victory over AYTB in the All-City Yanbu Cricket tournament at the Royal Commission ground last weekend.

With Khawaja striking top form with the bat, Parsons totalled 198 for 9 in the stipulated 30 overs and then went on to dismiss AYTB for a plucky 75.

Brief scores: Parsons 198 for 9 (A.N. Khawaja 108 n.o.; A. Dinker 4 for 62) beat AYTB 75 (Brown 27, B. Hanks 2 for 20, Siddiqui 2 for 14).

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In U.S. Clay Court Clerc stages fine rally to oust gritty Purcell

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — Sweden's Hans Simonsson swept into the semifinals of the \$450,000 U.S. Clay Court Open Tennis Championships with an upset straight sets victory over sixth-seeded Andre Gomez of Ecuador.

Simonsson, a member of the Swedish Davis Cup squad, played immaculate tennis to oust the Ecuadoran 7-5, 6-4. This was the second upset on his way to the last four stage. The 20-year-old Swede had bagged the prize scalp of top-seeded Argentine Guillermo Vilas in the second round.

Another youngster making giant strides in the tennis circuit was 17-year-old American Jimmy Arias. The teenager who had taken Washington by storm with a string of upsets in the D.C. National Bank Classic and making the final of the tournament, moved a step closer of making his second final within a fortnight after 18 months on the tour. Arias displaying fine control from baseline and sharp net play outplayed Chile's Hans Gildemeister 6-4, 6-3 to make the semifinal of the clay court tourney.

In late men's singles quarterfinal actions, second-seeded Jose-Luis Clerc of Argentina, going for his third straight U.S. Clay Court title and trying to emulate Bill Tilden and Bobby Riggs, survived yet another three-set duel to take his appointed place in the semifinals. Clerc had to draw on all his experience to outwit American Mel Purcell, the seventh seed of the tournament. Clerc rallied from a first set loss to post a 4-6, 6-4, 6-4 victory.

The last semifinal spot was claimed by Spaniard Jose Higuera. Higuera trained all his guns on the big-serving Peruvian Pablo Arraya for an easy 6-4, 6-0 verdict. Higuera's accurate groundstrokes and deft volleying proved too much for the Peruvian, who had upset the Swedish sensation Mats Wilander — winner of the French Open title — in the earlier round.

The women's singles also saw an upset when Czechoslovakian Helena Sukova, the No. 7 seed, entered the final with a hard-earned 7-5, 4-6, 6-4 victory over No. 2 seed Kathy Rinaldi of the United States.

Sukova, whose mother, the late Vera Sukova, was a runner-up in the Wimbledon women's singles, will now meet top-seeded Virginia Ruzici of Romania in an all East European final, after Ruzici's relentless 6-2, 6-0 victory over No. 4 seed Bonnie Gadusek of the United States.

Ruzici, whose first title was at Monte Carlo since 1980, played superb tennis. She said "I had planned to start concentrating from the start. Not that she (Gadusek) played bad... the game was close, though the score doesn't say the match was a tough one."

Gadusek, playing in her first clay court tourney, said "Ruzici played her best against

me. It seems she is on the roll. I played good up until today, but I was a little bit nervous and really didn't play too well. I have to get more mentally tough."

The first prize for the women's singles championship Saturday will be \$24,000. The top prize for the men will be \$32,000 with the final to be played on Sunday.

Connors blasts Pfister to make last four grade

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Aug. 7 (AP) — Wimbledon champion Jimmy Connors continued his relentless march in the \$100,000 National Revenue Tennis Tournament Friday with a 6-4, 6-4 victory over fellow-American Hank Pfister.

The top-seeded Connors, in his first tournament competition since Wimbledon, advanced to the semifinals at Suburban Grove city victory over Pfister, the No. 7 seed in the tournament. Connors will now face the winner of Friday night Chip Hooper-Harold Solomon match.

"Pfister made me work for it," Connors said. "He moves very well, is good on volley and gives you nothing. But I had to be satisfied with this win as it proves I am getting my rhythm back, and that is most important to me."

Connors, who won the tournament here in 1972 and 1973, agreed that he is using this test as the first primer for his move into the U.S. Open next month in New York.

Connors next test could be the most difficult one in the tournament. He was troubled earlier during the tour by Chip Hooper, the black American with the big serve, before prevailing. Also Hooper's opponent in the quarterfinals, Harold Solomon, is an experienced campaigner and could be a tough nut to crack. But Connors, riding a crest after his Wimbledon victory, should sail through.

Fourth-seeded Brian Gottfried gained a semifinal shot against Bruce Manson when he avenged a Wimbledon defeat by beating Nick Saviano 7-5, 6-3. Manson upset second-seeded Steve Denton 6-4, 6-4.

Gottfried scored service breaks in the third games of both sets against Saviano and won three straight games of the second set to close out the match. "I never forget that defeat," Gottfried said. "And that loss to Saviano in Wimbledon rankled me more than anything else. But this victory gave me sweet revenge."

In doubles play, third-seeded Tim Mayotte and Henri Leconte of France bowed out to Mike Gonzales and Ron Hightower 7-6, 6-7, 7-6.

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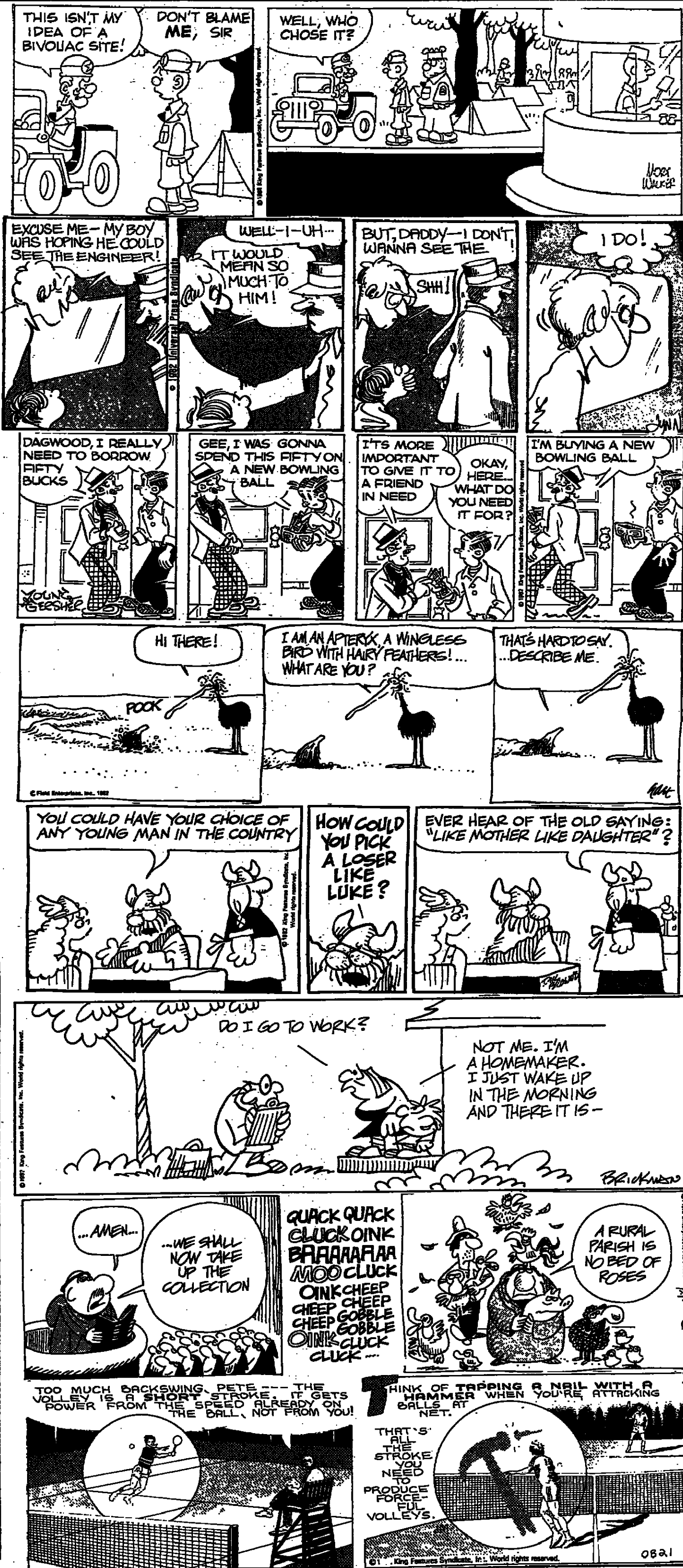
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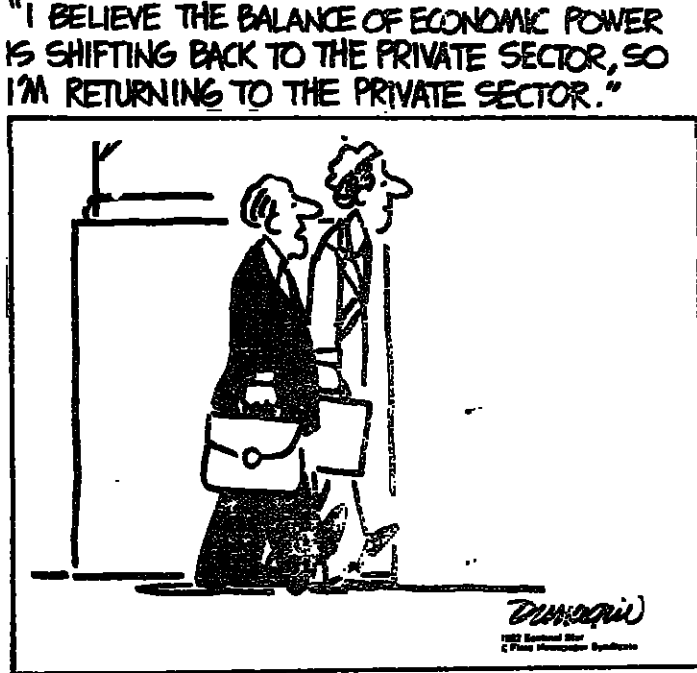
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TV Programs		
Saudi Arabia	7:10 The Engineers Roger Munk	3:00 Cartoons
9:30 Opening, Quran	7:50 Special Here Come the Puppers	3:30 Local Children's Program
Family Program	8:35 Sweeney Rider	4:00 Arabic Series
Family Meeting	9:21 Dallas Season 4	5:00 The Hulk
Closedown	10:00 News	6:00 Religious Series
Bahrain Channel 4	4:00 Quran	6:30 Religious Program
Children's Program	4:30 Religious Tale	7:30 Ramadan Club
Modern Mathematics	4:50 Program Preview	8:30 Religious Series
Local Program	4:55 Cartoons	9:00 Comedy Series
Traffic Program	5:00 Children's Series	10:00 World News
9:15 English News	5:30 3rd Degree	10:30 Daily Religious Series
TV Magazine	6:00 Health Program	11:30 B.W. Classic Film
10:00 Arabic News	6:50 Fashion & Style	12:30 News Summary
Daily Arabic Series	7:00 Daily Arabic Series	1:30 Variety Show
Selected Songs	8:00 Arabic News	3:00 Closedown
Arabic Weekly Stories	8:30 Local Interview Program	
Closedown	9:30 Daily Arabic Series	
Dhahran	10:25 Entertainer at the Door	
4:00 Children's Show		
4:32 Safety Meet Your Chopper		
4:40 Big League Soccer		
Week No. 27		
5:35 People Special		
Trouble with Mother		
5:56 Leverage and Shivers/You've Pugged Me Too Far		
6:24 Wonders of the Underwater World		
Sandwich Trench of Truk		
6:53 I Love Lucy: The		
Bahrain Channel 55		
6:00 Program Preview		
6:05 Big Blue Marble		
6:30 The Seven Seas		
7:00 News		
7:30 Canada Camera		
8:00 Young Runties		
9:20 Eddie Capra		
Dubai Channel 10		
2:00 Quran		
2:30 Religious Talk		
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Onde Moyenne: 1485		
Kilohertz dans la bande des 30m		
8800 Ouverture		
8901 Verses Et Commentaires		
8910 Musique Classique		
8915 Bonjour		
8920 Varietes		
8930 Fenetre sur le passe		
8945 Orient Et Occident		
8950 Musique		
8960 Informations		
8970 Lumiere sur les Informations		
8975 Varietes		
8980 Une Emission religieuse: Esprit de l'islam		
8985 Varietes		
8990 Cloture		
1800 Ouverture		
1801 Verses Et Commentaires		
1810 Musique Classique		
1815 Varietes		
1820 Emission Culturelle: l'Arabe par la Radio		
1825 Emission de Varietes		
1830 Musique		
1835 Informations		
1840 Revue de Presse		
1845 Varietes: Musique Orientale		
1850 Cloture		

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0500 News about Britain	0405 Commentary	1530 Issues in the News
0515 Good Book	0415 Good Book	1600 Special English News
0530 Play of the Week	0430 Short Story	1610 Words and Their Stories
0600 Command Performance	0445 The Tony Mynar Request Show	1615 Special English Feature: People in America
(in 20k)	0500 World News	1620 Music USA: Standards
0500 World News	0530 Stephen and Son 1st. 15k, Cricket	2000 News and New Products USA
0500 British Press Review	0600 Radio Newsworld	2030 Studio One
0530 Sports Review	0615 Concert Hall (in 22nd, 20k, From the Promenade Concerts)	2035 Special English News
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0615 From our own Correspondent	0715 From our own Correspondent	2200 News and Tropical Reports
0630 Music from Islands	0725 Financial Review	2230 Issues and America
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Frances Drake
FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 1982

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
You'll have some luck in financial affairs now, but you're inclined to overspend. New acquaintances stimulate you mentally.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)
After an initial enthusiasm, you may have second doubts about making a commitment in love. Be more positive in outlook.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

You're on the right track regarding a work project, but social interruptions distract you from accomplishing as much as you'd like.

CANCER (June 21 to July 21)
You have reason to be hopeful about both career and love, but it's unwise to combine the two now. Don't say anything cutting.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 22)
Misplacing an object could ruin what otherwise is a fine

day for promoting domestic interests and experiencing novel amusements.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
What looks like a set deal could change by day's end. Be careful not to overlook details regarding both travel and home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
Friends are erratic and may make changes in evening plans. A financial opportunity is worth capitalizing on. Shopping is favored.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
You're in an adventurous mood, but mustn't overdo healthwise. Have fun, but don't push yourself beyond physical limits.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

You may not take others into your confidence now, even though you have reason to be happy. Enjoy dining at a new restaurant.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
Excitement comes through friends now, but someone at home may not be in the mood for company. Try to keep everyone in good spirits.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
Your enthusiasm is in part justified, but try not to go overboard regarding an opportunity that hasn't materialized yet.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
Travel is fun now, but it could be expensive. Be alert for a new financial opportunity that could arise by day's end.

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Hanoi policy not changed

ASEAN asks world to support Sihanouk

BANGKOK, Thailand, Aug. 7 (AP) — The foreign ministers of the five-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) said Saturday there had been no change in Vietnam's policy toward Cambodia, where Hanoi keeps about 180,000 troops, and urged the international community to support an anti-Vietnamese Cambodian coalition headed by Prince Norodom Sihanouk.

A statement at the end of a day-long meeting of the five countries stressed that the key to the Cambodian problem continued to be the withdrawal of foreign troops and the right to self-determination of the Cambodian people.

The ministers of Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and the Philippines also expressed "grave concern" over the situation in Lebanon and called for relevant United Nations resolutions to be put into force.

Carlos Romulo of the Philippines told a press conference, where the statement was issued, that much of the meeting was taken up with discussing ASEAN tactics at the fall U.N. General Assembly session, where another voting showdown is expected over who represents Cambodia in the world body.

For the past three years ASEAN has led a successful diplomatic offensive which has kept the toppled Khmer Rouge regime at the United Nations against the opposition of the Soviet Union, Vietnam and other pro-Moscow countries who are seeking the entry of the pro-Hanoi Heng Samrin government in Cambodia.

The ministers also hoped that Sihanouk, the one-time leader of Cambodia, would be allowed to speak at the upcoming summit of nonaligned nations in Iraq, not as the head of the recently formed coalition government but as one of the surviving founders of the movement. The coalition includes the Khmer Rouge and two non-Communist groups.

The Khmer Rouge regime has been ousted from the movement and ASEAN is hopeful that Sihanouk's popularity in the Third World might help the coalition gain a seat.

Some of the ministers tried to downplay the murderous image of the Khmer Rouge, who set in motion a bloody revolution before being ousted by a 1978 Vietnamese invasion. "What (Khmer Rouge leader) Pol Pot did in the past is condemned by every ASEAN foreign minister and their respective countries," Romulo said. "We must look to the future."

not the past."

Siddhi Savetsila of Thailand said last month's regional swing by Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach may have helped improve the "atmosphere" but the press statement stressed that "there has been no change in Vietnam's policy."

Singapore's Suppiah Dhanabalan added "the climate in the equator doesn't change very much," referring to Thach's stop in equatorial Singapore.

Japanese visit Peking today

PEKING, Aug. 7 (AFP) — A group of Japanese government officials will visit Peking Sunday to try to explain Tokyo's position on Japanese history textbook changes to the Communist Chinese authorities, the Japanese Embassy here said Saturday.

Although the delegation was "coming officially to hold discussions with Ambassador Yasue Katori," the embassy said, it was hoped they would be able to meet Peking officials, whom they did not identify. There was no confirmation from the Chinese.

Hundreds guard Yellow River

PEKING, Aug. 7 (R) — Several hundred thousand people are guarding the dikes along the lower Yellow River, Communist China's second longest, which has been swollen by heavy rains to its second highest flow since 1949, the official press said Saturday.

The New China News Agency said a sluice gate in western Shandong province was opened Friday night to drain off some of the floodwater into Lake Tongping, a large flood-control reservoir. Some 7,000 persons had been evacuated to higher ground from the "flood retarding area" which was specially designed for such emergencies.

Known as "China's Sorrow," the Yellow River has killed thousands, maybe millions, of people in Chinese history. It has changed course dramatically several times.

The river carries a heavy burden of silt from its upper reaches, which builds up on its bed downstream and necessitates higher and higher dikes which eventually give way. But China's Communist government says there has been no serious flooding along the Yellow River since it came to power 33 years ago.

U.K. to acquire new rocket

LONDON, Aug. 7 (ONS) — Britain is to acquire a new multiple-rocket launcher which can saturate large areas with controversial cluster shells at a range of more than 18 miles.

The new weapon fires 12 rockets, each 13 feet long, in rapid succession. The rockets contain a central core which detonates in the air to shower 644 bomblets on the target. Each bomblet, weighing about eight ounces, is designed as an anti-personnel device and contains a shaped charge which can penetrate light armor.

The system, known as the Multiple Launch Rocket System, is designed by the Vought Corporation in Dallas, Texas, which will begin deliveries to the United

States Army next year. Somewhat ambiguously, Vought describes the system as "designed with the combat soldier in mind."

The British purchase of the system was confirmed in just two lines in last month's defense white paper but a Ministry of Defense spokesman declined to say recently how many such systems will be bought and at what cost.

The main purpose of the weapon is to counter sudden attacks by large numbers of troops. Each rocket can cover an area as large as six football pitches.

The system is the first Western equivalent of the much-feared 'Stalin's Organs' which have been used by the Soviet Union in various forms for decades.

Search for rebels, loot continues in Kenya city

NAIROBI, Kenya, Aug. 7 (AP) — The sprawling low-income Nairobi suburb of Eastleigh was sealed off for nine hours Saturday as army, police and paramilitary troops carried out house-to-house searches for rebel holdouts and goods stolen by looters during the first day of the failed coup.

One woman was reportedly arrested for hiding a Kenyan Air Force uniform in her house, located near the Eastleigh Air Base. President Daniel Arap Moi has blamed low-ranking air force personnel for the Aug. 1 attempt to overthrow his civilian govern-

ment. On Thursday, he said 129 persons — mainly rebel soldiers — died in the surprising coup attempt and an aide disclosed that 1,600 air force personnel were arrested. Another 200 persons have been convicted of looting. Moi toured the capital's business district, still recuperating from massive looting following the collapse of law and order last week. Some newspapers have estimated damage at more than \$50 million.

Meanwhile, Moi's office issued a stern warning against "unscrupulous" merchants stockpiling basic commodities in order to create artificial shortages, which it asserted does not exist. "Anyone found hoarding or overcharging will be dealt with severely in accordance with the law," the statement said.

Relatives continued to claim bodies at the city's mortuary. One woman broke down after identifying her three dead sons — two army soldiers and the other an airman, *The Nation* newspaper reported.

Meanwhile, in all the poor areas of the city, police were still recovering goods stolen Sunday by looters, who sometimes left their booty lying on the roadside.

The looted goods were being brought by the truckload to the Kenyatta Conference center. Youths doing national service were tipping objects of all sorts from wheelbarrows into the center's main hall, which can accommodate 5,000 persons.

The objects included furniture, stoves and pans. One truck arrived full of new plastic dustbins, another bearing sofas and chairs. A police inspector refused to allow cameramen film the goods and declined to say what would be done with them. Observers believe those goods which could not be restored to their legal owners would be auctioned.

Zimbabweans 'see' hostages

BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe, Aug. 7 (AP) — Villagers in western Zimbabwe claim they saw six foreign tourists at a death-threat deadline set by rebels who ambushed and kidnapped the hostages, a source close to the search for the missing men said Saturday.

Members of the search force of about 2,000 police and soldiers heard reports of a sighting as the search for the rebels and their two American, two British and two Australian hostages, according to the source who asked not to be identified.

The rebels seized the tourists and threatened to kill them on Friday, July 30, unless the government released two top aides of opposition leader Joshua Nkomo who were detained without charge.

The western Zimbabwe region is the stronghold of Nkomo's minority Matabele people, traditional rivals of Zimbabwe's majority Shona tribe who back Prime Minister Robert Mugabe.

A source familiar with operations at the search headquarters north of the Matabeleland provincial capital of Bulawayo said villagers reported seeing the rebels and their hostages in the couple of days following the Friday deadline.

But he added that the reports were being treated cautiously, saying the Matabele villagers are known to have been feeding and hiding the rebels and obscuring their trail during the search. The location of the reported sighting was not disclosed.

Meanwhile, a prominent white farmer was killed by rebels Thursday in an area east of

Canadians to set world flight record

MONTREAL, Aug. 7 (AP) — Pilots Donald Muir and Andre Daemen appear certain to set a record on their round-the-world flight. They are so confident they plan two unscheduled stops between San Francisco and Montreal.

Jean-Marc Belanger, one of the planners of what is termed the Wings of Hope Venture, said Friday the two men were heading across the Pacific, after stops in Honolulu and Hilo, bound for San Francisco, where they were to spend about four hours.

"We're so far ahead that we've added stops at Denver and Chicago," Belanger said. "Crossing the Rockies (mountains) is a tricky business for a small aircraft with a full load of fuel, and we now have reports of turbulence. By taking less fuel, they can fly lighter and higher."

They'll refuel in Denver and stop again in Chicago where an Air Canada doctor will check their condition before the last hop to Montreal.

The estimated time of arrival in Montreal now is 5 p.m. (2100 GMT), Saturday, which would put the total since their departure Sunday at about six days and eight hours, Belanger said.

The existing record for a round-the-world flight in a single-engine plane weighing between 1,000 and 1,750 kilograms is seven days, 13 hours, 13 minutes and 27 seconds, set in 1978 by Seattle lawyer Robert Muckleston.

Montrealer Muir, 26, and Daemen, 22, from Sioux Lookout, Ontario, were hoping to

S. Africa denies swapping raiders

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Aug. 7 (AP) — The South African government Saturday denied any involvement in a reported plan to swap South African black-nationalist prisoners for mercenaries facing the death penalty in the Seychelles after a failed coup attempt.

The Citizen, Johannesburg daily, quoted sources in the Indian Ocean nation as saying Seychelles President Albert Rene would announce the deal Sunday. The paper said either the French or the Portuguese government would serve as go-between.

But a Foreign Ministry spokesman, asked to comment on the report, said "the assertion that the South African government is involved in negotiations for the release or remission of sentence of prisoners in the Seychelles has no foundation whatsoever."

"The legal process in the Seychelles is, as far as I know, taking its ordained course and the South African government has no comment to offer on this matter," he added.

The four mercenaries last Thursday canceled the appeal of their death sentences and Friday their lawyer, Graham Forwis, back from Victoria, expressed optimism over the fate of the four. South African Prime Minister Pieter M. Botha last April pardoned three ANC members sentenced to death after receiving a cable from President Rene.

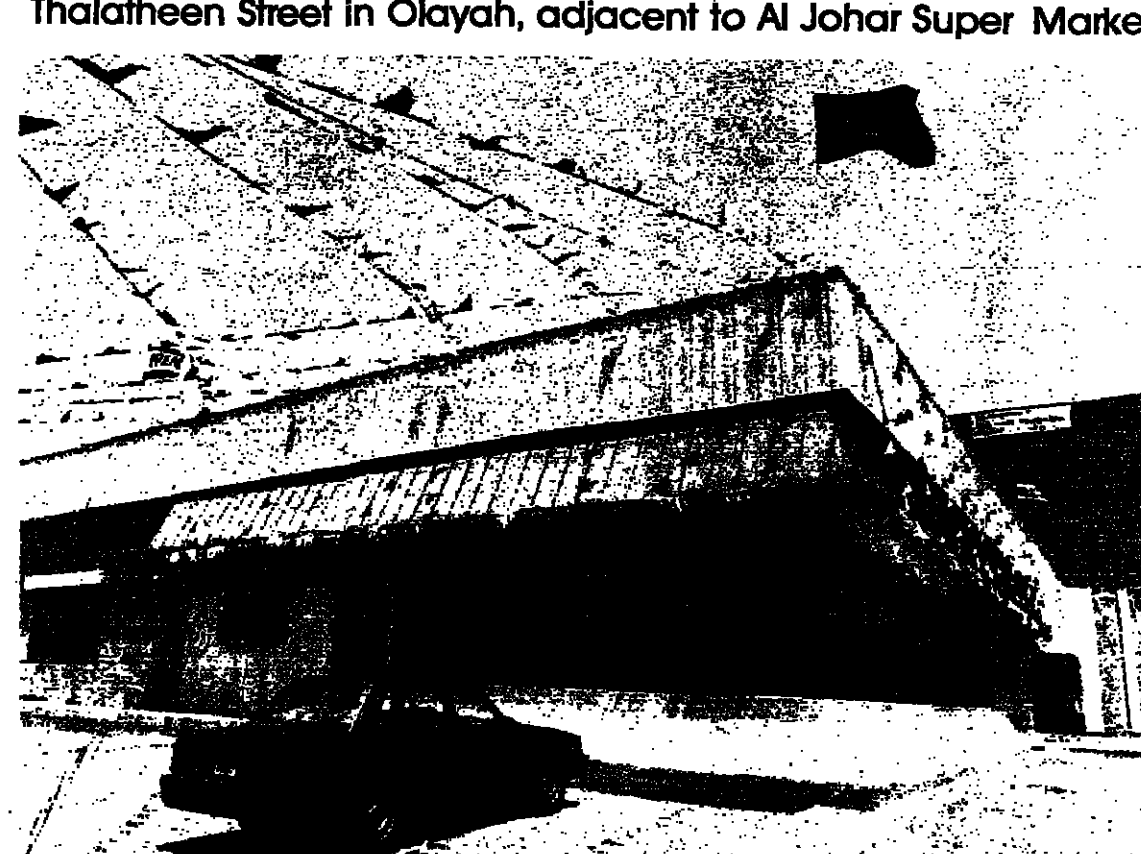
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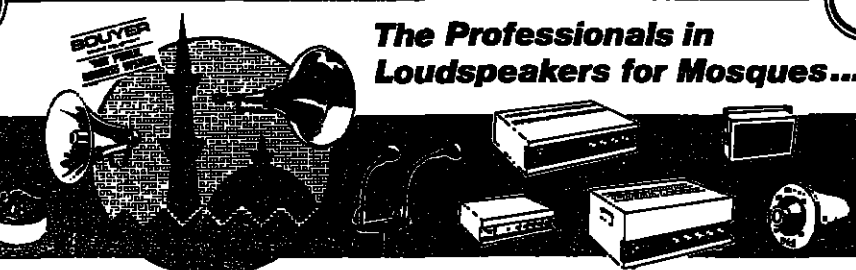
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